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Mrs Collette Wintle

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Our ref: 2016/0036032 30 November 2016

Dear Mrs Wintle,

Thank you for your letter of 14 November which enclosed your appeal application regarding your infected blood support scheme allocation. You have provided evidence that you were treated with blood products in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1976 and have asked to join the Scottish scheme on that basis. The information we have received from the Skipton Fund regarding your application states that you received treatment that was potentially infected with hepatitis c (pre September 1991) in the Royal Infirmary Glasgow, Pembury Hospital Tunbridge Wells, and the Royal Free Hospital London. It also notes that you were resident in England at the time of your application to the Skipton Fund.

In the appeals criteria (available at <u>http://www.skiptonfund.org/</u>), you will see that if there is documented evidence – either from medical records or other information – that you received NHS blood, blood products or tissue in more than one country of the UK before September 1991 and that the infection could have occurred in either or both countries, you will be allocated to the scheme of the country where you were living when you first submitted a claim for financial support from one of the UK schemes.

In light of this additional information, I wish to check if you have any further information you wish to add in support of your application. If you do wish to provide comments, please send or email them to me by 9 December at the latest.



If you choose not to submit any supplementary information, we will make a decision based on the information we have available.

Yours sincerely,

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