

SCOTTISH NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE AND
COAGULATION FACTOR WORKING PARTY OF SCOTLAND AND NORTHERN
IRELAND

**STANDARD PROTOCOL IN THE EVENT OF NOTIFICATION TO SNBTS
OF A vCJD PATIENT WHO HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A BLOOD DONOR.**

1. SNBTS as soon as possible will identify all batches of all blood products to which the donor's blood contributed.
2. SNBTS will as soon as possible notify the Scottish Executive (including CMO) and the Chair of the Coagulation Factor Working Party, who should in turn notify all Haemophilia Centre Directors in Scotland and Northern Ireland, as well as the Chair of UKHCDO, and convene an urgent meeting of the CFWP.
3. As far as possible, Haemophilia Centre Directors will obtain details of all patients who received any of the relevant SNBTS concentrates over the relevant time period, as well as those who received implicated batches (and the doses).
4. SNBTS and the Haemophilia Centre Directors will provide details of the incident to the vCJD Incidents Panel (Banner Committee). The patient data sent to the Panel should be anonymised.
5. A letter of information for patients who received treatment in Scotland will be agreed for circulation and released as soon as all relevant patients have been identified. In addition, a proactive briefing statement for the media will be prepared. Appropriate arrangements will be made for patients in Northern Ireland, England and Wales.
6. This protocol will be subject to regular review in the light of changes in national recommendations or other guidance.

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