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Directions to local health boards, NHS trusts and Primary Care to find undiagnosed people with infected blood.

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Required by:

Immediate.

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Enclosures:

Annex 1, 'Letter from Deputy Chief Medical Officer and Senior Medical Officer'.

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Infected blood inquiry: implementation of recommendation 8a and 8b

Dear colleague,

Re: infected blood inquiry.

Following the publication of the Infected Blood Inquiry (IBI) report and its recommendations on 20 May 2024, I have been chairing an oversight group to monitor the implementation of these recommendations. Today I am writing in relation to the recommendation within the report that focuses on finding the undiagnosed patients.

There are two specific recommendations for health boards to take forward for patients who may have had a blood transfusion.

The full report can be accessed at [the infected blood inquiry's website](https://www.infectedbloodinquiry.org.uk/reports/inquiry-report) (<https://www.infectedbloodinquiry.org.uk/reports/inquiry-report>).

Recommendation:

8. Finding the undiagnosed:

8(a). When doctors become aware that a patient has had a blood transfusion prior to 1996, that patient should be offered a blood test for Hepatitis C.

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8(b). As a matter of routine, new patients registering at a practice should be asked if they have had such a transfusion

I would be grateful if you would advise those in Primary Care of the requirement to action as requested when the circumstances meet the criteria mentioned.

I'd be grateful if you could confirm the action you have taken by cc'ing the relevant messaging to the qualityandnursing@gov.wales (<https://www.gov.walesmailto:qualityandnursing@gov.wales>) by 27 January 2025.

Yours sincerely

Prof Pushpiner Mangat
Dr Stuart Hackwell

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