

## KEY FACTS

### Facts and Figures March 2015

- The Inquiry was announced in Parliament in **April 2008** and formally set up in **September 2008** under the Inquiries Act 2005 and the Inquiries (Scotland) Rules 2007 with Lord Penrose appointed as the Chair in **January 2009**.
- There were **12** Terms of Reference covering the period from 1 January 1974–1 September 1991.
- There were **four** main categories of patients who were infected by either or both HIV and Hepatitis C:
  - **478** cases of HCV in patients with bleeding disorders
  - **Approximately 2,500** patients infected with HCV through blood transfusion
  - **60** cases of HIV infection in people with bleeding disorders
  - **18** blood transfusion patients infected with HIV
- A preliminary hearing took place in **March 2009**
- A Preliminary Report was published in **September 2010**
- Oral hearings took place over **89 days from March 2011 to March 2012**
- A further procedural hearing took place in **October 2012** to deal with specific queries on statistics
- Around **118,000** documents were initially recovered by the Inquiry and assessed for relevance to its Terms of Reference. Of these, **5,000** documents were considered to be relevant to its Terms of Reference and were made available to other parties in its Courtbook database. Of these, **2,000** documents were footnoted in the Final Report.

- **159** statements were taken from patient/relative witnesses gave written statements to the Inquiry.
- **67** witnesses gave oral evidence to the Inquiry; many on multiple occasions.
- **18** expert witnesses gave evidence to the Inquiry.
- A total of **34** expert reports or statements were produced on topics including:
  1. Statistics
  2. Medical ethics
  3. Viral inactivation
  4. Viral epidemiology
  5. Collection of blood
  
- The cost of the Inquiry up to **June 2014** was approximately **£11.3m**. A final cost will be published on conclusion of the Inquiry.
- The Final Report is available both as a printed version and on DVD, and on the Inquiry website: [penroseinquiry.org.uk](http://penroseinquiry.org.uk). It consists of two parts: an Executive Summary and the main body of the Report consisting of five volumes:
  1. Patients' Experiences
  2. Knowledge of HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C
  3. Blood and Blood Products
  4. Donor Selection and Screening of Donated Blood
  5. Information to Patients