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Dear Dr Abrams

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE - WORKING GROUP ON AIDS

Thank you for your letter of 6 September inviting me to attend meetings of the Working Group on AIDS.

Dr McIntyre has spoken to you about the implications of this Group's work for SHHD and the SNBTS as well as DHSS and the NHTS, and I understand that you are willing to extend the expert membership accordingly. We therefore wish to nominate:

Dr D B L McClelland Director Edinburgh and South-East Scotland Regional Blood Transfusion Service Royal Infirmary EDINBURGH EH3 9HB

whose participation we believe would be both useful and widely acceptable. Dr McClelland is willing to serve, but we would like to suggest that in the event of his being unable to attend a particular meeting an alternate from the SNBTS could take his place on that occasion, in order to maintain specialist continuity for the Scottish interest.

I shall be glad to attend on behalf of SHHD.

Yours sincerely

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