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AIDS: Donor Leaflet

I feel it is important to ensure that the decisions we made last week are implemented as soon as possible in your Region and I believe it would be helpful to this end if I summarised the position so that there was no doubt in your minds as to the actions that are required.

These can be summarised as follows:

1. Distribution of Leaflet "Important Message to Blood Donors"
  - (a) The leaflet will be enclosed in every donor call-up letter.
  - (b) A leaflet will be sent to the home address of known donors who are not normally individually called to sessions.
  - (c) Every donor will be given a leaflet at the session.
  - (d) Efforts will be made to see that local organisers of sessions to which donors do not receive a personal call-up letter distribute the leaflet in advance of a session.
  - (e) A leaflet will be enclosed in the registration book sent to new donors.

These policies will be reviewed in 12 months time or before.

2. Health Questionnaire

Each donor, prior to blood withdrawal, will be asked to sign a statement which will read, "I have read the SNBTS AIDS leaflet (Important Message to Blood Donors) and confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, I am not in one of the defined transfusion-related risk groups".

I hope you will find this helpful.

Kindest regards.

Yours sincerely

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