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Wales Infected Blood  
Support Scheme

## FORM B GUIDANCE NOTES

### APPLICATIONS FOR A STAGE I CHRONIC HEPATITIS C PAYMENT WHERE THE INFECTED PERSON IS DECEASED

#### GUIDANCE NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

This form allows the **Estate** of someone who has died to make a claim to the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme, in cases where the deceased person was not already registered with the scheme, or any other UK Schemes (e.g. Skipton Fund) with regard to chronic Hepatitis C payments, and:

- Were infected by Hepatitis C as a result of treatment they received themselves with NHS blood, tissue, or blood products

Or

- Were infected by Hepatitis C as a result of the virus being transmitted from someone else, who themselves was infected by Hepatitis C as a result of treatment they received with NHS blood, tissue, or blood products.

In all cases, the deceased person must have been resident in Wales when they died or, if they were resident outside the United Kingdom, they must have been resident in Wales immediately before they moved out of the UK.

**If the circumstances differ to the above, please contact the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme for guidance.**

If the deceased person was married, in a civil partnership, or a long-term relationship at the time of their death, their surviving partner may be eligible for support from the scheme too. In such cases the Estate of the deceased person must first have this application approved before the remaining partner can register with the scheme for support.

## HOW TO APPLY

This form must be completed by a person who is an Executor of the Estate of the deceased person, on behalf of all of the Executors where there is more than one. That person must first complete all parts in Section 1 of this form. The form should then be passed in its entirety to a medical professional, who will complete Sections 2-5. The medical professional must then send the completed form directly to the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme.

Generally, the medical professional should be the principal clinician who treated the deceased person. This will probably be the clinician who treated them for Hepatitis C, but in the case of a deceased person who had bleeding disorders (such as haemophilia), it may be a haematologist.

If you have any records of how the deceased person was infected, please pass them to the medical professional who will be completing the remainder of the form.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Please provide a copy of the Death Certificate for the deceased beneficiary. Once the application has been received from the medical professional, the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme will contact you to obtain copies of other relevant documentation (for example, the deceased person's will, a copy of Confirmation from the court, etc, as appropriate).

## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

When the medical professional has completed the form, they must send it along with copies of all relevant records direct to the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme. Provided that the information supplied confirms eligibility to receive payment, you will receive a letter from the scheme to confirm this and will be asked to provide any further details required at that point.

## HELP WITH THIS FORM

If you require any assistance in completing this form, please contact the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme on 02920 902280.