

FORM F GUIDANCE NOTES

APPLICATIONS FOR AN ADVANCED HEPATITIS C PAYMENT WHERE THE BENEFICIARY IS DECEASED

GUIDANCE NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

This form is for the **Estate** of a deceased person who was already a member of the Wales Infected Blood Support Scheme and had previously received Chronic Hepatitis C payments.

This form allows the **Estate** of the deceased beneficiary to apply for the Advanced Hepatitis C lump sum payment that is available via the scheme.

To be eligible to receive this payment, the deceased beneficiary must have had a Chronic Hepatitis C infection and had developed either:

- Cirrhosis
- Primary liver cancer
- B-cell non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, or
- Had received a liver transplant, or was on the waiting list to receive one

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

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 you were infected, please pass copies of them to the medical professional who will be completing the remainder of the form.

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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.