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Wales Infected Blood
Support Scheme

WIBSS NEWSLETTER

April 2024

Payments

Please see below for the new rates payable from 1st April 2024. If you have any queries, please contact us.

Ongoing Payments	WIBSS Rates April	Rate at 75% for Bereaved partners/spouses
Hep. C Stage 1	£22,095	£ 17,179
Enhanced Stage 1+	£34,736	£26,052
Hep. C Stage 2	£34,736	£26,052
HIV	£34,736	£26,052
Co-Infected (HIV and Stage 1)	£47,150	£35,363
Co-Infected (HIV and Stage 2)	£54,590	£40,943
Co-Infected (HIV and Stage 1+)	£54,590	£40,943
Winter fuel (to be paid in October)	£659	£659

New venue for report publication

Publication of the Inquiry's Report will now take place at Central Hall, Westminster, on May 20th, 2024.

The Inquiry has changed the venue so that all Inquiry participants who wish to attend can be accommodated. The Inquiry team is contacting everyone who has registered their interest in attending.



CONTACT US

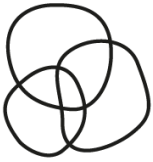
Contact WIBSS on
02921 500900 or email
wibss@wales.nhs.uk

If your call is not answered, please leave a message with your name and a contact number and we will phone you back promptly.

For Psychology and Wellbeing please email:
wibss.wellbeingservice@wales.nhs.uk.

Recent Contact

We take your personal information seriously. If you are in any doubt about the origin of a letter requesting your personal data, that appears as though it is from WIBSS, please contact us on our direct line, **02921 500900**.



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WELFARE RIGHTS

Meet up session

The team would like to hold a meet up session for WIBBS members. We can offer the meet up in person or online. During this meet up, members will be given the opportunity to gain wider group support and discuss any matters with WIBSS staff.



If this is something you would be interested in attending, please contact the team via phone or email.

Welfare Rights support

We would like to remind you that we offer a confidential and dedicated service. The team can assist with several issues, including, benefit matters, income maximisation, money management, Advocacy and general support. The service is available to both you and your family members.

Specific examples include carrying out benefit checks, completing benefit applications, providing mortgage support/confirmation letters, and notifying the DWP of your WIBSS payments, (declaring your WIBSS payments will **not** change your benefit entitlement).

Appointments can be carried out via home visits, over the phone, email or online appointments (teams)

Psychology & Wellbeing Team

We want to remind you of the services that are available to you. WIBSS offers a confidential, free of charge specialist psychological assessment and treatment, relating to the emotional difficulties of having been given, and living with, a diagnosis of Hepatitis C and/or HIV. This service is available to both you and your family members. If you wish to get in contact, the dedicated team can be contacted on 029 20196141, or by email: wibss.wellbeing@wales.nhs.uk

We have now recruited a counsellor for the WIBSS service, and they are due to start early May.

We wish you all a lovely spring.

The WIBSS Team
