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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