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Dear Mr Cavens

Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI-1178341

Thank you for your request dated 1 June 2019 in which you asked the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC):

Subject: Freedom of Information request - Surrogate Marker Testing

What date was surrogate marker testing for Hepatitis brought in for Anti-D donors?

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

DHSC does not hold this information.

We suggest that you may wish to contact NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) for this information. It can be contacted at Foi@nhsbt.nhs.uk.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal by asking for an internal review. This should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the address at the top of this letter, or the email address at the end of this letter.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may complain directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) who may decide to investigate your concerns. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have already appealed our original response and received our internal review response. The ICO will not usually investigate concerns where there has been an undue delay in bringing it to their attention. You should raise your concerns with them within three months of your last meaningful contact with us.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Cheshire
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<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Yours sincerely,

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