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Dear Ms Peat

Consideration of Petition PE1398, PE1399 and PE1401

I am writing in response to your letter of 12 October 2011, in which the following question is asked of NHS Boards: "Annex D of CEL 17 (2010) sets out a specific guidance framework for NHS Boards to apply when developing a written policy for Individual Patient Treatment Requests. As part of the process NHS Boards were to have written policies in place for dealing with such Requests by 1 April 2011. Does your Board have such a policy in place, if not when do you expect to have a policy in place?"

I can advise that NHS Lothian has such a policy in place, and this is available on the Lothian Joint Formulary website at www.ljf.scot.nhs.uk/FormularyCommittee/Policies/Pages/default.aspx.

Yours sincerely

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