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Dear Dr Roberts,

Thank you for your correspondence of 7 November to the Prime Minister, co-signed by Haleema Shakur-Still, about the treatment of post-partum haemorrhage (PPH). I have been asked to reply. Please accept my apologies for the delay in doing so.

The Government is delighted by the results of both the WOMAN trial of tranexamic acid for the treatment of PPH and the National Institute for Health Research-funded CRASH-2 trial. Ministers are pleased the findings from these studies have been influential and are encouraged to hear that the World Health Organization (WHO) has already updated PPH treatment guidelines to recommend the use of tranexamic acid.

The Government is committed to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and improving maternal and child health. To achieve this, it works with international agencies, including the WHO, to support access to evidence-based health interventions. Ministers know that they also need to continue to work with other multilateral agencies such as the UN, and with its Member States, other governments and non-governmental organisations, and other international research funding partners to keep this on the agenda.

The Government will continue to raise the issues of maternal and child health at the relevant and appropriate fora to ensure we support the global achievement of the SDGs.

I hope this reply is helpful, and I would be grateful if you would share it with your co-signatory Ms Shakur-Still.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leigh Smale', written in a cursive style.

Leigh Smale
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