PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1592 QUESTIONS/ISSUES ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

THURSDAY 27 APRIL 2017

Scottish Government –

• What is your view on the UK National Screening Committee's recommendation on Group B Streptococcus screening in pregnancy published in March 2017?

THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2016

The Committee agreed to defer further consideration of the petition until the National Screening Committee's review of the evidence on Group B Strep screening is published.

SESSION 4

TUESDAY 1 MARCH 2016

The Committee agreed to include the petition in its legacy paper.

TUESDAY 12 JANUARY 2016

Scottish Government –

- What progress has been made on revising the booklet and ensuring the advice contained within it is communicated to all pregnant women?
- How is the *Ready, Steady, Baby!* booklet is made available?
- If it is provided in an online format, who is responsible for directing expecting parents to the publication online?
- Is there any knowledge or evidence of the uptake of that publication, or indeed any follow up to ensure the information is accessed by expecting parents?
- What training and guidance is given to NHS staff to diagnose the signs and symptoms of Group B Strep in pregnant women and to provide appropriate treatment?
- Is the Scottish Government aware of any current research into the development of an effective test for Group B Strep for pregnant women? If not, is it minded to fund such research?