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Dear Sir/Madam

Important health message for patients of Dr Chau Bao (Paul) Dinh, Bankstown

This letter is addressed to patients who attended a dental practice operated by Dr Chau Bao (Paul) Dinh at:

- Liberty Plaza, Unit 45, 256 Chapel Road, Bankstown between October 2014 and July 2016;
- Unit 4, 324 Chapel Road, Bankstown between 1998 and 2014; and
- Fetherstone Street Bankstown prior to 1998.

Assessments by the NSW Dental Council and NSW Health have identified problems with the cleaning, sterilisation and storage of dental equipment used in Dr Dinh's practice at Liberty Plaza, Unit 45, 256 Chapel Road, Bankstown. It is possible that similar problems may have occurred at other locations where Dr Dinh previously practised.

NSW Health advises that, **if you had an invasive procedure** performed by Dr Dinh, there is a **low risk** that you may have been exposed to hepatitis B, hepatitis C or HIV.

Invasive procedures are procedures where a needle or other instrument pierces the skin, gums or tooth pulp/root, or where bleeding occurs. A simple check-up, x-ray, or getting dentures, for example, would not cause a risk of infection with these viruses.

Please note that NSW Health is not aware of any person being infected after undergoing dental procedures at any of Dr Dinh's practices. However, as a precaution, if you think you may have had an invasive procedure performed by Dr Dinh, I recommend you discuss your risk of infection with your doctor. If necessary, your doctor can arrange testing for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your local public health unit on **1300 066 055**.

Information on hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV is available on the NSW Health website at
<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/Pages/a-to-z-infectious-diseases.aspx>

Vietnamese translated information sheets on hepatitis B, hepatitis C & HIV are available at
<http://www.mhahs.org.au/>

When you see your doctor, please take this letter with you.

Yours sincerely

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