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body who is being marked picks up the disease agent and transmits it through the body, or just what does that mean, blood-borne?

SENATOR STUHR: I'm not a medical profession...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Well, let me ask this question. Never having had my ears pierced, what part of this appendage hanging off the side of our head or sticking off the side of our head...some people said Bing Crosby's head looked like a bowling ball going to lunch with flying saucers, so that means they are various sizes, shapes and whatnot. What part of the ear is...constitutes the lobe?

SENATOR STUHR: Am I supposed to point?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well,...

SENATOR STUHR: I would say the bottom part, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Is there any blood in that part of the ear?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, I believe there is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Could it transmit, if a needle or some other implement were contaminated and inserted into the lobe, could that disease agent, if that's...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...what contaminates this implement, be picked up by blood in that location and transmitted through the body like it could if, say, the tip of a finger were punctured?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, but it is my understanding that the other parts of the body have more susceptibility to the blood-borne diseases.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I don't want to make it a comparison by saying more or less. Is the...then nobody could get hepatitis