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A 23-year-old delivered her baby in a hospital. It's common, except that this new mother is HIV positive. A few days later, a 38-year-old man, presented himself to Casualty for a respiratory illness. It is also common. But further investigations revealed him to be HIV and Hepatitis B and C positive.

Please beware that HIV is still spreading.

As a doctor, I feel that it is in the interest of the country to verify the HIV status of a person before marriage. It is because the cost of management is a burden already.

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