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Witness Name: **GRO-B**

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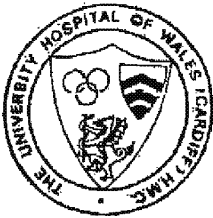
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OUR REF **GRO-B**

DEPARTMENT OF HAEMATOLOGY

YOUR REF

10th February, 1975.

Dear Dr. **GRO-B**

re: **H**
GRO-B **Cardiff.**

This patient who suffers from **haemophilia** has been selected for home treatment.

His wife has been instructed in the method of making up **Factor VIII** concentrate for injection from a freeze dried preparation, and has become proficient in the technique of intravenous injection of this material. We shall be supplying directly enough concentrate, together with sterile syringes, needles, swabs etc., to prepare two separate doses to be given when necessary. For minor bleeding episodes, such as non-weight-bearing joints home treatment should present no difficulty, with a major saving in travelling and waiting time. For more major bleeds the patient has been instructed to administer a full dose at home to cover the journey to hospital.

The risks from the use of this preparation, especially allergic reactions and hepatitis have been explained. Allergic reactions are uncommon and rarely severe. Usually, Piriton (4mg. by mouth, or 10mg intravenously) is adequate treatment. More severe reactions merit admission of the patient to hospital. INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTIONS SHOULD NEVER BE GIVEN, EVEN AFTER A THERAPEUTIC DOSE OF CLOTTING FACTOR CONCENTRATE. A small percentage of these freeze dried preparations contain, unavoidably, the virus of serum **hepatitis** and therefore potentially dangerous to the patient, his relatives etc. Arrangements have been made for the disposal of syringes, needles and ampoules at this hospital.

If you are in any difficulty regarding this patient's management please do not hesitate to contact either the Haematology Registrar for Coagulation, or myself. The Haematology Registrar has a "bleep" during the day. His home telephone number is obtainable from the hospital switchboard at night.

Yours sincerely,

GRO-C

A.L. Bloom
Reader in Haematology

Dr. **GRO-B**
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