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Dr. Alistair Sawers,
Haematology Consultant.
Ronkswood Hospital,
Newtown Road,
Worcester.

Dear Dr. Sawers,

re: [GRO-A] [GRO-A] 74
[GRO-A]

For your information I enclose copies of :

1. His bleeding episodes and transfusions so far this term.
2. Orthopaedic chart.
3. Laboratory results.

[GRO-A] 20% alternate day prophylaxis which was started on 10.5.87 was continued until 14.7.87. During this period there were no breakthrough bleeds into his right knee. The size of the ?synovial organised haematoma, ? haemangioma on the upper lateral aspect of the patella showed no increase in size and remains at approximately 1cm. in diameter.

He has done very well in the past two months whilst on prophylaxis. The decision to terminate his prophylaxis was taken after careful consideration because of the recent increase in the number of published papers about the immunosuppressive effects of Factor VIII concentrate, particularly in anti HIV positive haemophiliacs. I have told [GRO-A] that his prophylaxis was stopped because he has done very well, and we thought it best to give him a rest. I have asked him to treat all his bleeds as soon as he notices them and to rest his knee until he is able to weight bear without any pain before resuming moderate activities. Because he is now transfusing himself at home, I have advised him that if his knee does not improve with treatment to see you as soon as possible.

If unfortunately the frequency of bleeds into his right knee together with this nasty supra patella swellings accompanying each bleed have not improved before being reviewed by Mr. Browne on 25.9.87, then "arthroscopic exploration and proceed" will then be justified.

[GRO-A] presented with shingles on 24.6.87 and was under the care of Dr. P. Tomlinson, the School Medical Officer. Dr. Tomlinson has already contacted [GRO-A] G.P. and Mr. and Mrs. [GRO-A].

Apart from his PGL he exhibits none of the stigmata of ARC or AIDS.

Kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

[GRO-C]

M. Wasser.
S.C.M.O.

Encs. cc. Dr. P. Tomlinson, School Medical Officer.