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Dr H J Heggarty  
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Dear Dr Heggarty

Re: The Martindales

I think I recall attempting, without success, to interest this family into a rather more independent existence with self-medication and also involving the mother in venepuncture work, but for various reasons it did not prove successful. I would imagine that the realities of the situation are that home treatment removes a lot of hospital support which can be seen as potentially isolating in a difficult family situation and I think it was with this in mind that this independence was not viewed with enthusiasm. I quite understand this and have sympathy with them.

However, time does pass and it is clearly the policy that haemophiliacs should be made self-reliant now that there is a satisfactory availability of effective and continuing therapy. I will contact Mrs Martindale and see them as a family and have another attempt.

Yours sincerely

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