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Dr. O'Kane  
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re:

Mr. Malachy Devlin

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Dear Dr. O'Kane

The problem of testing for response to the AIDS virus is wellknown throughout the media and my policy has been to ask each patient when they are being tested if each individual wishes to know the result or not. At the meeting, Malachy himself declared that he did not wish to know the result, therefore I have respected his wishes and have not informed him. However, I shall be writing to Mrs. Devlin to come up with Malachy at his next visit for her own individual wife's test. If Malachy himself has no objection to the result being known, I will be happy to give you the information.

I have been trying to keep the panic situation at the minimal level throughout the Province's haemophilic population, hence this practice.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

E. E. Mayne  
Consultant Haematologist