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Dear Dan

Re: Michael MURRAY GRO-C 1964
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Diagnosis: Chronic Hepatitis C
Renal transplant (3rd one)

Action: Hepatitis C counselling
Discharge

I had a further chat with Michael today about his Hepatitis C and answered more questions he had. We particularly talked about the risk of transmission of Hepatitis C through sexual intercourse. I explained to him that the risk was extremely low, but not negligible and that it was advisable to discuss things with his partner. He is currently trying to find the right moment to do this. The risk of transmission to a partner is thought to be less than 5%. Clearly the use of condoms would reduce this risk further, but still not make it negligible and to my knowledge no-one considers it essential for patients with Hepatitis C to wear condoms for sexual intercourse.

I have had correspondence with Dr Beaman about his renal transplant and we both consider Interferon therapy to be too risky as far as rejection of his renal transplant is concerned.

I have not organised to see Michael again, but he has our contact number if he wants to ask any further questions.

Yours sincerely

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