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Dear David

GRO-B: S's von Willebrand's disease should theoretically normalise during her pregnancy and she should not suffer from any unusual bleeding symptoms during this period of time. I will arrange to see her at the appropriate intervals to check whether, in fact, this does occur. Should all progress as expected, then she would only need von Willebrand factor-containing product to cover an elective Caesarean section, or a forceps delivery and thirdly, she should be treated following a normal vaginal delivery to prevent excessive postpartum loss.

Her hepatitis C would not be anticipated to cause any clinical problem. In respect of acting as a source of infection to others, it can only be transmitted through intravenous contact and surface contact is not a problem. All the staff concerned should wear gloves when wiping or mopping up any blood spill and those with any cuts or abrasions should have then well covered. Sensible precautions are all that is needed. Hepatitis C is not noted for its capability to be infectious in comparison to either hepatitis B or HIV.

I hope this letter answers your various queries.

With many thanks and kind regards,

Yours sincerely

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