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Consultant: Dr A C Parker
Blood Clinic

Dear Dr Hayes

Re: GRO-B EDINBURGH GRO-B

Diagnosis: Moderate Haemophilia.

I would be most grateful if you could review the above young man in your clinic.

This 25 year old gentleman, with moderate to severe Haemophilia A and diagnosed as having Hepatitis C in June 1993. His liver function tests were markedly deranged in January this year. They have now improved following the introduction of Interferon therapy in February. At the time of institution of Interferon therapy, he was informed of the possibility of laparoscopic liver biopsy, but declined.

I reviewed him to day in Dr Parker's clinic in Medical Out-Patients. He was accompanied this time by his mother and has been complaining of many non-specific complaints, including throbbing headaches, nausea, anorexia, vomiting 2 to 3 times per week, foul smelling diarrhoea, and intermittent abdominal distention. In addition he complains of right upper quadrant pain which has worsened since the institution of Interferon.

He seems to be very anxious about the underlying diagnosis of Hepatitis C and has been becoming increasingly concerned about general statistics which are in the Haemophilia Booklet. I therefore thought it might be appropriate to refer him to yourself for further assessment, particularly as he now seems to be considering the possibility of laparoscopic liver biopsy.

I would be most grateful for your opinion, advice and help.

Yours sincerely

GRO-C

Julia Anderson
Registrar

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