

Department of Gastroenterology

Dr **GRO-B**
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Date 17/07/2007
Our Ref 610091532B
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Patient:	Mr GRO-B GRO-B Edinburgh GRO-B	UHPI: GRO-B
		Date of Birth: GRO-B 967
Clinic Code: MON/MM	Attendance Date: 16/07/2007	
Specialty: Gastroenterology		
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Dear Dr **GRO-B**

DIAGNOSIS:

1. Chronic hepatitis C infection
2. Haemophilia

I reviewed **GRO-B** in the hepatitis clinic today on behalf of Professor Hayes. I remember **GRO-B** from many years ago when we had a couple of unsuccessful attempts at treating his hepatitis C. He himself is keen to re-visit treatment with the next generation Pegylated Interferon and Ribavirin. With his genotype which is 3, we should have up to an 80% chance of clearing his hepatitis C. I envisage the main problem will be getting venous access as we require to monitor his bloods very closely throughout the course of antiviral therapy.

I did manage to get bloods from him today and I have done his baseline bloods and also I have asked for a viral load measurement. Should he have a low viral load and achieve a virological response i.e. be PCR negative after 4 weeks of treatment, we would have the options of cutting his treatment shorter to 16 weeks, should we be running into problems with side effects etc. The preferred length of treatment, however, is 24 weeks.

Once I have the results of all the blood tests back I will phone **GRO-B** and agree a start date for his treatment. I will also just run things past Professor Hayes prior to that to make sure that there are no contraindications in terms of his fairly complex medication history. I will let you know if and when he starts his treatment.

Yours sincerely

Margot Miller
Clinical Nurse Practitioner in GI/Liver Medicine