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Dr Hill Lanark Health Centre South Vennel LANARK

Dear Dr Hill

DAVID BLACK 1 St Teiling, Lanark

DIAGNOSIS - 1. Hepatitis C cirrhosis.

2. Haemophilia.

I saw Reverend Black on the 29th February. It was the first time I had seen him since last summer although I was aware that he had gone through an in-patient transplant assessment last November, and when seen in the clinic last week was less well with particularly worsening of his ascites. This aspect had improved with the increase in his diuretics. He has lost 5.5 kg over the six weeks but I think that some of that is loss of muscle bulk in addition to fluid. In other respects, things continue to deteriorate. He remains very tired, his concentration is poor and he is essentially now unable to work. He still has significant ascites and his nutritional status is starting to be impaired.

Looking at the deterioration in his liver function and quality of life over the past nine months, I think that it is now time to again consider transplantation and he is in agreement with this. I am arranging to admit him for a few days to set this in motion.

Yours sincerely

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