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Dear Dr Davda

Eileen O'Hara, dob 09.10.30., Unit No: 093961  
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I saw this patient at my Clinic today. I note that hepatitis C screen was reactive with a confirmation test being positive. This could certainly explain, at least in part, her hepatosplenomegaly and I discussed this with my gastroenterology colleagues and do agree that biopsy is indicated. We are currently awaiting the CT of her abdomen and this I understand is going to be done in 2-3 weeks' time.

From the cardiac point of view things were essentially unchanged. There was elevation of the JVP with 2+ of ankle oedema and a systolic murmur at the left sternal edge with evidence of right ventricular hypertrophy and also left ventricular enlargement as well. Abdominal examination revealed hepatosplenomegaly and there were some left sided basal crepitations.

From the cardiac point of view my only suggestion is to increase diuretic to 2 per day and once the CT scan has been performed then we can plan for liver biopsy, obviously her anticoagulation would have to be adjusted before this could be done.

Yours sincerely

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