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Dear **Code A**

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With many thanks for your help.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

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Dr A Lord FRCA
Consultant Physician in Geriatrics

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