Portsmouth Pathology Service



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Dr. Knapman, The Surgery, 148 Forton Road, GOSPORT, Hants.

Dear Dr. Knapman,

Re: Norma WINDSOR, Code A

Diagnosis: CLL

Ischaemic heart disease

File

Notes Please

Send Appointment

Tell Patient Satisfactory

Show H.V.

Show Drs.

Snow Practice Nurse

I saw this woman early in the clinic, partly because she had made a complaint about the service which concerns the length of time she was kept waiting at dermatology clinics. However today she reports that she is very tired. She is depressed and cries for nothing, she feels that she keeps getting one health problem after another and thinks that this is what is making her feel depressed. She spends a lot of time in bed because she is too tired to do anything. When she walks she gets an aching back and aching legs. The rash that caused her so much trouble earlier in the year, has now gone completely. She is still on the steroids that were started in July. At the moment she is taking 6 mg on alternate days. The noticeable thing about her is that although her white count hasn't changed, her haemoglobin has fallen by 3 g and her platelet count has doubled. This seems to have come on with steroids and more recently she has been getting attacks of diarrhoea with such considerable urgency, that this has led to her having unpleasant accidents. She gets no noticeable indigestion but she has had DU surgery in the past and I wonder if that plus steroids is not giving her the current problems. I have put her on iron for the moment to see if we can boost the haemoglobin a little and have given her an appointment for five weeks' time. I shall also refer her to Dr. Duncan to see if he can find out what is going on with her bowels. I will also drop a note to Adel Resouly to see if he has any more ideas about her voice which still hasn't changed. The only other thing of note is that she had a biopsy of some lymph nodes that popped up and the histology shows them to be CLL.

Yours sincerely,

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DR. P. GREEN

Consultant Haematologist

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