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Dr. Scott
The Surgery
9 Brook Street
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Dear Dr. Scott

RE: ADAM STRAIN [REDACTED]

I was relieved to find when I returned from holiday that Adam has recovered from his strange pyrexial illness. As you know from my letter at the end of July we were extremely worried about him because he had a spiking PUO for a long time and despite extensive investigations we were unable to clearly determine what exactly was the problem. He was treated with antibiotics and with Acyclovir and eventually recovered, I think probably spontaneously rather than in response to anti-microbials. He is now settled down. We did feel that part of the problem may have been an infection around his gastrostomy tube site. He therefore at the minute has a simple Foley catheter into his stomach for his tube feeds and we need to get that changed.

Apart from that the major problem is that he is very difficult to manage because throughout his severe illness he was very upset and agitated by being unwell and being in hospital so much. His blood pressure today is fine at 100/60. He looks the picture of health. He is back full of chat. The other active problem, apart from his gastrostomy, is trying to get him out of nappies and of course with his feeding. Some slight progress has been made by our Speech Therapist with feeding and we are now going to get an Occupational Therapist involved with trying to get him dry.

Yours sincerely

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