

THE ROYAL BELFAST HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN

## DIALYSIS CLINIC

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Dr. Scott
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Dear Dr. Scott,

## RE: ADAM STRAIN

Adam was up at the clinic today for review. Last week his mum had brought him to the ward because he had a bit of a temperature and was off form. He was very irritable and was complaining of a pain in his back. Direct microscopy showed no organisms in his urine but subsequently we have grown some pseudomonas. However in the meantime he is completely better and therefore we have delayed putting him on an antibiotic and will repeat his urine again today.

The real reason for his clinic visit was that his blood test, when it was done on that occasion, suggested that his creatinine had jumped from 485 to 612. His urea was also slightly up from around 10 to 13. Obviously if his creatinine was as bad as this he would need to go on dialysis in the very near future.

We have discussed this with his mum and the plan is that if his creatinine is persistently at this sort of level that he will come in for training for dialysis at the beginning or middle of July. We are hoping that he can have an automatic cycling dialysis machine at home. Sometimes this is not ideal for children of his size but it certainly is the easiest system to manage.

We will let you know the details of that in due course and the result of today's blood tests.

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Yours sincerely,

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