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Our Ref: DW/ie/AH1565586

Dr O Moss Blundellsands Surgery Blundellsands Liverpool L23 6TZ

Dear Dr Moss

**Gwendolyn Vials MOORE** 2 Coronation Drive Crosby, Liverpool L23 3BN D.O.B. 22/08/2014 Hospital No. AH1565586 NHS No. 701 057 1422

# Diagnosis:

- 1. Down's syndrome
- 2. 6 weeks post-right varus osteotomy for subluxing hip

#### Management:

Telephone consultation in 8 weeks' time

I had a telephone consultation today with Gwendoline's parents as part of our COVID-19 response.

### **History/Current Symptoms**

She is 6 weeks following the above operation and in general she is doing well. She is walking but this is with a pronounced limp and this was to be expected due to a combination of shortening as well as weakening the hip adductors. She does intermittently complain of discomfort on the right leg and sometimes wants to be picked up but she only does this with dad so some of this is behavioural.

Mum has said that she can no longer feel any clicking within the right hip joint but interestingly she says that she is feeling clicking within the left side. There is most surprising as the hip arthrogram had shown the hip to be stable and the socket is well developed. Obviously we will continue to x-ray the hips in the future as well as any sign of a deteriorating socket we will re-look into this.

## **Management Plan**

At the moment, Gwen is a vulnerable patient, is keeping herself isolated and has been told to isolate until at least July. My plan therefore is just to make contact with the family via telephone in around 8 weeks when at least we may know a little bit more about when we can bring Gwen back to clinic to do an x-ray.

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Yours sincerely

Electronically checked and authorised by Mr David Wright

# Mr David Wright Paediatric Orthopaedic Consultant

This patient interaction took place during the Covid-19 pandemic.

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