**The following information was discussed with the patient:**

**Information about Hepatitis B:**

Hepatitis B is a sickness that happens because of a virus that can hurt the liver. It is often a long-term or chronic infection. The liver is a body part that has many uses and keeps you healthy. If your liver becomes hurt, it won’t be able to do its job and that can make you sick. Hepatitis B also can be passed to other people and make them sick, too. It may be passed to other people from blood or sexual contact, or from a pregnant mother with the sickness to her growing unborn baby. That’s why it is so important to get medical care for hepatitis, with medical visits at least once every 6 to 12 months for the rest of your life.

As relevant:

1. Do not share toothbrushes, razors, or tweezers
2. Always use condoms when having sex
3. If you have a cut, others should use gloves if you need help
4. If you bleed on a surface, clean area with a water-to-bleach mixture of 10:1.
5. If pregnant, let your doctor know immediately to help prevent infection of the baby
6. Do not drink alcohol or use IV drugs
7. Assure your children have been tested (even if they are now adults)
8. Assure all sexual and household contacts have been tested for hepatitis B. If negative, ensure they are fully immunized and immune to hepatitis B.