



Patient name: Brian English

Date of birth: 16.12.1940

Address: 38 Anchorage Ccl, Summerland Point NSW 2259

Tuesday, 29 April 2025

cc: Dr Bamford - Cardiologist

Dear Gennadiy,

I caught up with Brian today in the presence of his daughter Annette. He tolerated the Aricept without any side effects even though I found him bradycardic today. He is describing some reduced exercise tolerance and gets very sweaty and exhausted after mowing the lawn. He passed the occupational therapy driving test and he now has a 20 km radius restriction with daylight hours only. He continues to live independently and he seems to be doing very well. There are no red flags or issues of concern in the community.

ON EXAMINATION

Physical:

Alert

Well-perfused well-hydrated

Blood pressure 120/85 mm macular

Heart rate 40 regular

Heart sounds dual



Chest clear

Abdomen soft non-tender

Lower limbs no oedema

IMPRESSION

Brian is coping well in the community under the careful surveillance of his daughter. His bradycardia is likely secondary to the combination of metoprolol and Aricept.

SUGGESTIONS

With your permission I have initiated the following

- I have taken the liberty to reduce his metoprolol to 12.5 mg. He is due to see Dr Bamford in 2 weeks' time who will advise further
- I provided further scripts of Aricept
- I will refer him to MyAgedCare assessment as well as the dementia advisory service
- I only need to see him in 9 months but feel free to refer him anytime before that.

Kind regards,

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