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Information Sheet to GP for Existing Study Participants

Title of Project: A UK Collaborative Study to Determine the Genetic Basis of Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis and Childhood Autoimmune Liver Disease
Number: 08/H0305/45

Regarding Patient: <Patient name> (<UK PSC Patient ID>)

Dear Doctor,

As you are aware the above named patient has the condition Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis. We are currently undertaking a United Kingdom scientific study to determine if there are genes or markers in the blood that predispose patients to Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis or Childhood Autoimmune Liver Disease. In order to complete this work, we are collecting DNA and serum from blood samples from patients who have this condition.

The above patient is already a participant in the above named study. They have now consented to provide further blood samples (18mls/2 tubes per sample), for <DNA/Serum> extraction .

They have also consented to be invited to donate samples and provide information on their condition in the future, no more frequently than once a year.

We therefore wonder would you be kind enough to allow the above patient to have their blood taken at your surgery/practice. The patient has been instructed to place the blood tubes into the plastic container, place the containers into the safety bag and then return the samples to us in the freepost envelope provided. The patient will then post this freepost to the UK PSC study team.

Please do not write any patient-identifiable information on the tube labels.

If you have any questions about this process or about the **UK PSC Study** (www.uk-psc.com), please call the study team on 0121 371 8101 or email ukpsc@uhb.nhs.uk.

Once again many thanks for helping us with this study.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Palak Trivedi', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Dr Palak Trivedi
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