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For review by the GP within 24 hours of receipt

Dear Doctor

Following cardiac angiography on *Patient X* an appointment has been made for them to be reviewed by the Cardiac Surgeon. As a part of their preoperative investigations, it has been found that this patient is anaemic and has therefore been placed on the Hospital's "Optimising Hb before surgery" pathway.

Enclosed with this letter are a detailed anaemia pathway and this patient's recent blood results. We kindly request you review them in conjunction with the patient's history and initiate any investigations/treatment you deem necessary.

Please review the B12 and folate results and if required commence treatment immediately; recommended dosing can be found in the pathway attached.

The patient has been advised to attend BVH for a blood test to re-check their response to the treatment 1 week before surgical review. The relevant paperwork has been given to the patient.

Thank you for your co-operation with the pre surgery anaemia optimisation pathway.

Yours sincerely

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