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Dear [Parent / Guardian name],

We are sorry to hear that [participant name] was recently admitted to hospital after a serious injury.

In their pre-hospital care, they were attended by an Air Ambulance and needed an emergency blood transfusion.

At this time, they were enrolled into a research study called SWiFT by the Doctor who was looking after them. As their treatment was an emergency, the Doctor was not able to discuss the study with you at the time.

Whilst [participant first name] was in hospital, the research team attempted to discuss their ongoing participation in the study with you. The research team have also tried to contact you since they have left hospital but have been unable to speak with you.

I have enclosed a copy of the Parent/Guardian Information Sheet with this letter to give you further details of the study and what is involved. Please read this to ensure you understand the research study.

If you are happy for [participant first name] to continue in the study or wish to withdraw them, please get in contact with us and we can facilitate this. Taking part in research is always voluntary and withdrawing will not affect their ongoing care.

If we do not hear from you, we will assume that you are happy for information about their injuries and care to be used in the study. We will attempt to contact you again to ask you how they are feeling and about their ongoing care three months after their injury. We can telephone you to go through these with the research team, or we can post (with a return paid envelope) or email them to you.

Yours sincerely,

[Hospital Consultant name / contact details]

[Research team details]