**INITIAL ASSESSMENT LETTER**

Community Cardiology and Respiratory Service

Heart Failure team

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Date: [insert date]

**Dear Dr**

**INITIAL ASSESSMENT**

Date of initial assessment:

Date of referral:

Referral source:

Remote uptitration / monitoring status:

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| --- | --- |
| **Plan for GP** | [INSERT TEXT]**Please code as:**  |
| **Patient care plan** | **Patient stated goals:**[INSERT TEXT]**Patient agreed actions towards goals:**[INSERT TEX] |
| **Heart failure specialist consultation notes** | Prevention of admission – Yes / No |

**PATIENT DIAGNOSIS**

[insert text]

**PATIENT SUMMARY**

[insert text]

**ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY**

[insert text]

**ECG**

[insert text]

**PAST MEDICAL / PAST CARDIAC HISTORY**

Past medical history:

Past cardiac History:

Number of hospital admissions with heart failure in the last year:

Date of last hospital admission:

**EXAMINATIONS**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| BP sitting |  |
| BP standing |  |
| Heart rate |  |
| Weight |  |
| SaO2 |  |

**SYMPTOMS**

Cough: N

Dyspnoea: Dyspnoea at rest

Chest pain: Chest pain on exertion

Nausea: Y

**RESPIRATORY ASSESSMENT**

Breathlessness:

Chest auscultation observations:

Oxygen saturations:

New York Heart Association classification - class

**MEDICATIONS**

Current medication as reported by patient

**NUTRITION AND ELIMINATION**

Fluid intake:

Dietary intake:

Bowels:

Passing urine:

**MOBILITY AND EXERCISE**

Aids used:

Flat:

Incline:

Exercise history:

General energy:

**SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION**

[insert text]

**BLOOD TEST RESULTS**

[insert text]

**NEXT APPOINTMENT**

[insert date, location, time]

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information regarding this patient.

Yours sincerely,

Heart Failure Nurse

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