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An appointment has been made for you at **Seymour Hospital, Bretonneux Street, Seymour** for a Gastroscopy on 19/04/17. Please contact Seymour Hospital the day prior to procedure to organise admit time. **IF YOU CANNOT MAKE THIS APPOINTMENT PLEASE CALL 95095592 IMMEDIATELY-AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO THE PROCEDURE- THE WAITING LIST IS APPROXIMATELY 5 MONTHS LONG AND FAILURE TO NOTIFY US WILL RESULT IN YOU BEING PLACED AT THE END OF THIS LIST OR EVEN REMOVED FROM THE WAITING LIST.PLEASE RETURN HOSPITAL PAPERWORK ONCE YOU RECEIVE IT.**

The gastroscope is a thin flexible plastic tube through which the stomach and duodenum can be examined. You will be given an injection prior to the examination which will make you quite drowsy and largely unaware of the procedure. After the examination you will rest for a couple of hours. You should be ready to leave the hospital after that. Slight soreness on swallowing is often found for about 24 hours after the gastroscopy.

PLEASE NOTE:

You must have nothing to eat or drink after Midnight prior to your your examination. This is important as your stomach must be empty in order that a complete examination may be carried out. Due to medication given during the examination, **you are not to drive later** that day, therefore we ask that a friend or relative drive you home. Please arrange to be collected from the hospital at your expected time of discharge.

Enclosed is the hospital paperwork for your to complete. This must be returned to the hospital prior to your admission. On receipt of this letter, please contact the hospital on 5793 6100 to arrange a pre-admission appointment. It is advisable that you leave any valuables at home and not wear them on the day.

Please note – All blood pressure and heart medications should be taken as usual with a sip of water. Plavix and Iscover should be ceased 10 days prior to the procedure, but you must discuss this with your GP.

Please telephone Andii on **9509 5592** if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul JB Simpson', written in a cursive style.

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