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Date

Dear Dr

Re: *Patient name*

Date of birth: *date of birth*

*Anytown Hospital* is currently taking part in the RATPAC trial (Randomised Assessment of Treatment using Panel Assay of Cardiac Markers). This is a randomised trial comparing diagnostic assessment of acute chest pain with point-of-care cardiac markers to diagnostic assessment without these tests (routine care).

Your patient, *patient name*, agreed to take part in the trial and was randomised to receive *point-of-care / routine* assessment when they attended hospital on *date of attendance*. Apart from the use (or not) of point-of-care cardiac markers at initial assessment they will have received routine treatment at the discretion of the hospital doctors.

They will be sent a postal questionnaire survey at one and three months after initial hospital attendance, and then their involvement in the trial will end. The questionnaires will consist of the EQ-5D general health questionnaire, patient satisfaction with care questionnaire, and a resource-use questionnaire for economic evaluation.

If you would like any further information about this project, please contact me using the details above.

Yours sincerely

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