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Dear Dr IGWE

**Re: MRS KATRINA MARGERY - DoB: 24/05/1967
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This was a telephone consultation as Mrs Margery has had transport problems and could not attend the appointment in person.

She was referred from Maxillofacial for the management and investigation of trigeminal neuralgia. She was unfortunately unable to tolerate MRI because of severe claustrophobia and it was suggested that she may need an open scanner. She has a background of COPD and asthma.

She describes her symptoms involving the right side of her face, eyes, mouth and ears. It does not change sides at any time. She takes Pregabalin 50mg twice a day.

Obviously I could not examine her today. It was initially described by Maxillofacial that her pain post dental extraction is mainly in the territory of the right second branch of the trigeminal distribution. The way she describes the symptoms it seems to involve the whole right side of the face.

It all started after a dental work on the same side which suggests clear trigger/post-traumatic rather than raising the suspicion of a sinister intracranial problem. I suggested that she uses Carbamazepine 100mg twice a day, increasing to 200mg twice a day after two weeks if tolerated. She will have a CT and CTA and a three months follow-up.

Yours sincerely

**Letter electronically verified by clinician
Dana Chiroasca-Vasileiou
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