Dear Doctor,

Re: Mr

The above patient recently attended one of the UK Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening Programmes and has since been invited to participate in the above research project. The patient has responded indicating that they are interested in learning more about the study. If you would like read more about this study, please visit the website www2.le.ac.uk/projects/ukags.

If the patient consents to participate in the study we will ask the patient to make an appointment with your practice to have a blood test as part of their participation in the study. They will bring all of the necessary equipment with them to the appointment, including sample transport containers and a postage-paid return envelope. A copy of their completed consent form will be in the sample pack for your records.

Your costs for doing this will be automatically reimbursed from the study office in Leicester. Reimbursement is set at £10 per participant which will be paid quarterly by cheque. We will not ask you to send us an invoice.

We greatly appreciate your help in the conduct of this important research.

Yours faithfully,

Matthew J Bown MD FRCS