Private Provider

Dear

## **Patient**

## Request for medical information following a private consultation is declined

You have requested that we provide medical information for the above patient to enable safe prescribing. We are unable to fulfil this request for the following reasons:

- This is non-contractual work
- General Practice does not have the capacity to undertake this work
- As per <u>GMC</u> guidance, the responsibility for ensuring access to medical information and verification through examination, lies with the prescriber.

We advise that you encourage your patient to share their on-line medical records with you to facilitate safe prescribing. If they are unable to do this, they can request a printed medical summary from the practice, but this will be managed as a routine administrative task and may take some weeks.

For the avoidance of doubt, the medicolegal liability for ensuring that there are no contraindications to your prescribing lies entirely with you, and you should not assume that the lack of a positive reply from us means that no contraindications exist.

Yours sincerely