

Patient Instructions

Name of Patient: Janet Jones

age 55

Description of the patient & instructions to simulator:

You have an irritating cough that has been present intermittently for 5 weeks. When the cough is present you also wheeze and your throat gets sore.

Since you went through the change you haven't slept much.

You only want to talk about the cough and sore throat today.

If the doctor wants to share the swab results too, that would be fine.

Your menopause and sleep are a big problem but you know that there won't be time to deal with these today. You would be very grateful if the doctor makes arrangements to deal with your sleep and menopause another time.

PSO

"I live with my husband, and my daughter Tamsin."

I work really hard – it's a hard job.

I work in a card shop, card factory it is, but I do the deliveries and the orders – putting it all out, things like that. It is quite heavy.

Yes, I am tired quite a lot, actually.

I've never slept for a long time, since I've gone through the change (3 years ago);

I've never had a good night's sleep.

Never smoked.

Daughter Tamsin and sister have asthma (and a couple of other family members) but I've never had a wheeze or asthma.

First line and history

I've had a cough and a sore throat, and it's been on my chest for about five weeks now - it seems to be getting worse since I've been away on holiday and that. But I know my daughter's been seeing you because she has whooping cough and everything, and I didn't know if it's anything to do with that or - because it seems to be getting worse.

Ideas – Well I don't know. My daughter has a similar cough. I've been coughing the same, but it's like my chest as well, when I'm coughing it feels like it's wheezing all the time. (If pressed you confirm that you think you have whooping cough just like your daughter.)

Concerns – None. I really don't think there is anything nasty going on.

Expectation – Just to check me out doctor. To make sure my lungs are OK.