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Dear Dr ...^...."

Many thanks for your referral for an US lumbar spine (US) for this baby with a simple sacral dimple. We have recently conducted an audit looking at US lumbar spine referral and the outcomes of the US.

Both our results and recent guidance suggest that simple sacral dimples less than 5 mm in size and less than 2.5 cm from the anus no matter whether you can see the base or not with no other associated stigmata or clinical associations do not require an US.

Therefore your request is being politely declined and returned to you.

If there are other features of concern that suggest an US may be required please do not hesitate to re-request but the additional signs/symptoms/associations must be documented on the request.

Alternatively if you wish to discuss an individual request or wish for further information please do not hesitate to contact our department.

Kind regards,

<Insert name>

<Insert designation>