



## **BOSS Study**

c/o Name of Department / Organisation

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**Date** 

Patient Name Address

## Dear Patient Name

You kindly agreed to take part in this national UK trial, funded by the National Health Service Health Technology assessment Programme, and run by the Research and Development Support Unit based at Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

The aim of the study is to see whether routine endoscopies every 2 years is better than only carrying out an endoscopy if symptoms get worse for patients who have been diagnosed with Barrett's oesophagus.

You have been randomised to receive endoscopic surveillance which means that you will receive an endoscopy every 2 years for the duration of the study. The hospital will send your next appointment for an endoscopy when it is due. You will also be asked to complete a short questionnaire following each endoscopy.

Your GP will also be able to request an endoscopy, for you; before the 2 year period is up if your symptoms suggest that this might be necessary. If this happens, you will be asked to complete an extra questionnaire.

If you have any questions about the study or your treatment, please contact the BOSS research nurse, *Name of Nurse* on *Tel*:

Yours sincerely

Name of Principal Investigator