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**PHYSIOTHERAPY UPDATE**

**RE: Tamsin Colley      MRN: 149 4960**

**DOB: 10.9.02**

**Consultant: Drs Heather Johnston/Charles Teo**

Tamsin has continued to have monthly physiotherapy and is making gradual improvements. She continues to attend POW Place two days per week and has a Special Needs Carer, Amanda, who has attended one of our physiotherapy sessions and had physiotherapy input at the day-care centre.

**Current Abilities**

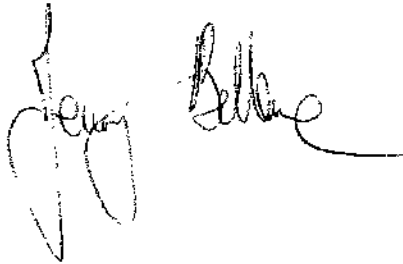
Tamsin was seen last week with her mother, Cathy in attendance. She has just started to take some independent steps at home and was seen to walk about 4 metres independently in our department. Tamsin is able to

- come up to stand from the floor independently and with better balance when up than previously
- squat to floor and return to stand without support
- sit cross-legged on floor to play for short periods (new achievement)
- walks with Kaye walker for distances without assistance (new from last review)
- is able to fall to sit with some protective extension of upper limbs
- is seen to frequently "correct" her balance when moving in upright
- can change direction in standing with improving balance
- able to pedal a tricycle a little with encouragement

It was very pleasing to see these changes at last review and Tamsin has much more confidence in mobilizing now. She is able to fall more safely when unable to keep herself upright and is thus more willing to walk more.

Tamsin remains ataxic, but is slowly learning control to enable better balance in mobilizing.

I plan to keep seeing Tamsin on a regular basis. She continues to have regular speech therapy and is awaiting occupational therapy review.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jenny Bellemore'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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Cc: Dr Charles Teo  
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