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Dear Mom and Dad,

Hi! I thought I would drop you a quick note here. I'm at home this morning, cleaning some stuff and watching the pups. I have to go to work early today for a nurse's meeting. I hope I won't be in trouble for anything. I don't know why I would, really, but you never know until you get there. I wish some of the people that I work with would get in trouble. They really deserve it. Some of them are really lazy. Generally they are pretty good but one in particular has a nasty temperament. The only way I can get along with her is to treat her nasty and then she loses some of her nerve and cowers down to me. She doesn't treat the patients right and is a big manipulator. Most of the others do better if you treat them nice, but if you treat this one nice and help her out she takes you for a fool and uses you more. So I just handle her with a firm tongue. The charge nurse whom I work with most of the time ~~no~~ must be starting menopause or something hormonal because she bursts out with all of this crying and then stops. This happens almost nightly. So besides all of these screwballs I work with, work is OK. I'm learning new stuff every day. Besides all this, how are you doing dad? I hope OK. It sounds like you have been having some trouble with all this catheter business - more so than usual. I hope it is



doing better. I will have to find out what exactly happened with your surgery the next time I visit. At least you can rest assured that there is a lot more blood in your body than it seems, so you will be in good shape soon and replenished. As long as you didn't need a blood transfusion, then you are doing pretty good. Even people with blood transfusions end up in as good shape as the rest.

Well, lately I have been going out with some different guys I know besides Chris. Chris and I are still good friends but we both decided to see different people for awhile. One doctor at the hospital has asked me out but I'm not too interested in him. He's kind of a creep. He must be near 30 and he reminds me of Terry Ragland in that he looks like him (kind of weird-looking). He's young and all the nurses think he is darling but I think he is creepy. He has a franchise on all the nurses in Ukiah because he is the youngest (the only young one) and unmarried doctor so he thinks he's something else. I like the doctor student in the church (Larry Schacht) plus some other young men that you haven't met. So, for now Chris and I are kind of split up but still on perfectly good terms.

Well I must go now. Take care of yourself dad. I'll see you both again the next time.

Love,  
Annie