A CASE REPORT OF CHRONIC DIARRHOEA AND ITCHY RASH- ARE WE MISSING SOMETHING?

SYNTHIA FARHANA¹, HEMONTA PODDER², GOUTAM KUMAR GHOSH³, KEYA TARAFDER⁴, MD. GOLAM MORTUZA⁵, GOUTAM KUMAR ACHERJYA⁶

¹Assistant Registrar, Department of Medicine, Jashore Medical College, Jashore, Bangladesh. E-mail: gacherjya@hotmail.com ²Assistant Surgeon, ManirampurUpazilla Health Complex attached to 250 Bedded General Hospital, Jashore, Bangladesh. ³Assistant Professor, Department of medicine, Jashore Medical College Jashore, Bangladesh. ⁴Junior Consultant, Department of Dermatology, 250 Bedded General Hospital, Jashore, Bangladesh ⁵Registrar, Department of Dermatology & Venereology, Jashore Medical College, Jashore, Bangladesh. ⁶Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, Jashore Medical College, Jashore, Bangladesh.

A proper and complete history is very important to reach the ultimate diagnosis and complete evaluation of a patient. Otherwise, the typical presentation can also be sometimes missed which leads to delay or even miss the actual diagnosis of a patient. However, we hereby present a case of a HIV (Human Immunodeficiency) patient where an incomplete history put the physician into a diagnostic dilemma and hindrance. The patient was a migrant worker and had history of sexual exposure and previous blood transfusion. Initially, he did not disclose his personal history to his general and specialist physicians. Therefore, the several consulted physicians could not reach his true diagnosis. After getting admission, we became able to explore his personal history which guided us prompt reaching in his proper diagnosis finally. Moreover, we sometimes fail to make a patient friendly environment to share everything due to social stigma, lack of welcoming environment, lack of good doctor-patient relationship.

Key Words: Chronic Diarrhoea, Itchy Rash, Weight Loss, History, HIV

Date received: 30.04.2023 **Date of acceptance:** 05.05.2023

DOI: https://doi.org/10.3329/bjm.v34i20.66184

Citation: Farhana S, Podder H, Ghosh GK, Tarafder K, Mortuza GM, Acherjya GK. A Case Report of Chronic Diarrhoea and Itchy Rash- Are We Missing Something? Bangladesh J Medicine 2023; Vol. 34, No. 2(1) Supplementation: 222-223.