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# IMAGINING BAD NEWS & WISHING FOR MAGIC AT HOGWARTS

## CLIENT COUNSELING

### Marley Dumange, Patient

You are Marley Dumange, Hogwarts's chief chef, responsible for directing the preparation of all culinary delights in the school's dining hall. You have been married to the school's gym teacher for ten years. You both enjoy living and working at Hogwarts.

You recently went to see Hogwarts' Dr. Wise, because of odd tingling in your legs and a strange pattern of markings becoming visible above both ankles. Dr. Wise is a well-respected Doctor of Physiological Witchcraft and Magicology. While you've seen the doctor at occasional Hogwarts' social gatherings, you've consulted as a patient only infrequently, for a bad case of the flu, to remove a wart, or an occasional check-up. You are generally strong and healthy and proud to be "old school", using homemade chicken soup or hot compresses instead of chemical-laden pharmaceuticals. Even though Dr. Wise was pushing some fancy medicine for your flu, the fever eventually responded to the "chicken soup only" plan.

This time, after you described your symptoms, Dr. Wise examined your legs and the markings above your ankles carefully, conducted some physical tests, and took skin and blood samples.

You are about to meet with Dr. Wise again. Presumably, the doctor has analyzed the test results and will discuss them with you. Even though you suspect whatever this condition is may be unusual, you are confident that there must be some natural low-tech remedy.

If Dr. Wise tries to push strong meds or fancy procedures, you will resist, and push to be sure there isn't some other alternative treatment. There's no need to be alarmist; you are strong and healthy, and just found a website for ultra-concentrated chicken soup. You will follow the doctor's advice if, and only if, it makes sense and seems like the best course of action for you.