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## **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to ante natal screening or diagnostic results for Down syndrome.

*You asked:*

*Please send me an example of all of the following that are in use:*

- a) Letter/email reporting low chance combined or quadruple screen results*
- b) Letter/email reporting high chance combined or quadruple screen results*
- c) Letter/email reporting low chance NIPT results*
- d) Letter/email reporting high chance NIPT results*
- e) Letter/email reporting 'no result' NIPT results*
- f) Letter/email reporting negative QF-PCR/FISH CVS results*
- g) Letter/email reporting positive QF-PCR/FISH CVS results*
- h) Letter/email reporting negative full karyotype CVS results*
- i) Letter/email reporting positive full karyotype CVS results*
- j) Letter/email reporting negative amniocentesis result*
- k) Letter/email reporting positive amniocentesis result*

**Trust response:**

Please find attached of all the template letters we use to send combined test, quadruple test and occasional NT only (triplets) screening results to parents.

No screen positive letters are sent out without first a phone or face-to-face consultation to explain the result, potential implications and options for further testing.

If there are any language difficulties consultations are conducted using an appropriate interpreter.

We do not send out CVS or amniocentesis results to women as they are performed by tertiary centres (usually Medway Maritime Hospital) and the results are sent by them.

We do not send out NIPT results because NIPT is not offered by the NHS