

# Non-invasive Prenatal Testing Result

## First Redraw Request

As part of your prenatal care, you had a blood test to screen for chromosome disorders in the fetus.

### NO NIPT RESULT was able to be obtained

#### Why didn't I get a result from NIPT?

A small number of NIPT samples come back with NO result (also called a "Redraw Request"). This happens more often when the test is done early in pregnancy and in women who are heavier. There are many different reasons why NIPT may not give you a result. Sometimes there is not enough fetal DNA in the mother's blood or there were technical problems at the laboratory. Other times, a chromosome disorder in the developing baby or differences in maternal DNA can make it hard to get a result.

#### POSSIBLE REASONS FOR NO RESULT

- Not enough fetal DNA
- Maternal obesity
- Technical problem
- Sample problem
- Chromosome disorder

#### Does this mean there is a problem with the pregnancy?

**Usually not...**most women with no result from NIPT have healthy pregnancies. However, it does mean that your pregnancy has not yet been screened for chromosome disorders.

#### What can I do next?

When you do not get a result from NIPT screening, there are several options you can choose for your next step.

- **Repeat NIPT screening** - NIPT often comes back with a result the second time you have testing. You'll know within two weeks whether or not repeat testing is successful. Repeat NIPT testing is only done once. You will be offered different testing if you have still have no result from NIPT after a repeat test.
- **Choose a different screening test** – Instead of doing NIPT, you could have State Screening. This is a general screening test for birth defects. It includes testing for Down syndrome and trisomy 18. Other chromosome disorders may also be identified.
- **Choose to have a diagnostic test** – Unlike screening tests, diagnostic tests give you a final answer about chromosome disorders. A diagnostic test, like CVS or amniocentesis, determines whether or not the fetus actually has a chromosome disorder. These tests have a small added risk for miscarriage.
- **Decline all follow-up testing** – Testing for chromosome disorders is optional and you do not have to do any further testing.