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Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn y Gymraeg ac yn y Saesneg. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

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Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021. Your request sought information relating to Down syndrome.

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

**a) Copies of written materials/information provided to expectant women appertaining to antenatal screening test for Down syndrome including information about both the tests and Down syndrome.**

These are available on the Antenatal Screening website (ASW) website, the link is sent to women from the helpline

<https://phw.nhs.wales/services-and-teams/screening/antenatal-screening-wales/antenatal-screening-tests/antenatal-screening-test-leaflet/antenatal-screening-tests>

**b) Templates reporting low chance combined or quadruple screen results**

Please see attached letters.

**c) Templates reporting high chance combined or quadruple screen results**

"High chance" results are conveyed to expectant mothers via a telephone call.

There is no script or guidelines followed during the course of these telephone calls, each call is personalised to the individual patient.

**d) Templates reporting low chance NIPT results**

**e) Templates reporting high chance NIPT results**

**f) Templates reporting 'no result' NIPT results**

**g) Templates reporting negative QF-PCR/FISH CVS results**



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- h) Templates reporting positive QF-PCR/FISH CVS results**
- i) Templates reporting negative full karyotype CVS results**
- j) Templates reporting positive full karyotype CVS results**
- k) Templates reporting negative amniocentesis result**
- l) Templates reporting positive amniocentesis result**

For the above points D to L - these results are sent to clinic directly from the lab performing the test. Test results are then given to expectant mothers over the phone. There is no script or guidelines followed during the course of these telephone calls, each call is personalised to the individual patient.

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at [FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk).

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 029 2067 8400.

Yours sincerely



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