



# The University of Chicago

Genetic Services Laboratory

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Dear Parents:

Your child's physician has ordered some clinical genetic testing at The University of Chicago Genetic Services (UCGS). You have the option of also participating in further research. This research includes studies on new genes that are not yet available for clinical testing and/or the use of new testing methods. If your child's clinical testing is all negative, we may include his/her sample in a study to look for mutations in a new gene. We may also include your child's sample in studies evaluating new test methods in our lab. We will select samples for these studies based on the clinical information that your physician provides with your child's sample. These studies will give us more information about the gene, prior to offering clinical testing for it.

Important points to consider about this research:

- We may share your child's sample or data with some other researchers that we are working with. If this happens, your child's name and any other identifying information will not be shared.
- If your child's results are interesting, we may include the data in a publication in a medical journal. Your child's name and any other identifying information will not be published.
- There is no additional cost to you, and we will not require any additional samples from your child.
- If we do identify a mutation in one of these genes in your child, we will confirm the mutation, contact your child's physician and send a report.
- If no clinically relevant information is identified in your child, you will not be notified.

Please contact one of our genetic counselors at the information below, if you have further questions about these studies.

Thank you very much for considering participating in this research.

Sincerely,

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