

About these tests

These tests tell you if your baby is at risk for certain genetic diseases.

Chromosomes contain our **genes**, and genes are made up of DNA. Chromosomes and genes play an important role in our health. People typically have two copies of most chromosomes and genes. But some people can have an extra or missing chromosome. This is called a **chromosome abnormality**, such as trisomy 21 (Down syndrome). And some people can have one working copy of a gene and one non-working copy. This is called being a **carrier** of a genetic disease. Carriers are usually healthy, but their children have a higher risk for disease. The **genetic diseases** on these tests were chosen because they have harmful health effects that often start at a young age and do not have a cure. **Having a baby with one of these diseases can happen to a parent of any age.** There is usually no family history of these diseases.

What test results mean

- ⊕ **Positive (abnormal) results** mean that your baby's risk to have a certain genetic disease is **higher** than most other babies.
- ⊖ **Negative (normal) results** mean that your baby's risk to have the diseases tested is low, but not zero.

Your privacy is protected

- ▶ We keep your results and information private. We only send results to the ordering provider, unless you give us permission to send elsewhere. You can contact us for a copy of your results.
- ▶ No other test will be performed and reported on your sample, unless ordered by your provider.
- ▶ We may contact your provider to obtain follow-up information after your test is complete. This is a standard lab practice, and is required in several states.

Benefits

- ▶ Finding out these results will help you understand your baby's risk to have the diseases tested.
- ▶ Negative results are reassuring. Positive results let you and your provider determine the next steps for the identified risk(s).

Limitations

- ▶ Negative results do not guarantee a healthy pregnancy or baby. These tests look for specific changes to certain chromosomes and genes. Changes not targeted by these tests will not be detected.
- ▶ False positive, false negative, and failed results are rare, but possible.

Before signing this form, I had the chance to talk about this test with my healthcare provider or someone he/she chose, and genetic counseling has been recommended before and after testing. My questions have been answered and I have all the information I need to decide. I understand that this test is voluntary. I have decided that:

Innatal[®] Prenatal Screen

- Yes, I want to receive the Innatal[®] Prenatal Screen.
- No, I do not want to receive the Innatal[®] Prenatal Screen.

Preparent[®] Carrier Test

- Yes, I want to receive the Preparent[®] Carrier Test.
- No, I do not want to receive the Preparent[®] Carrier Test.

PATIENT NAME (please print)

DATE OF BIRTH

PATIENT SIGNATURE

DATE

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