

## Patient information

# Inconclusive screening result

We offer and recommend that every woman or pregnant person has a blood test in their pregnancy to screen for three infectious diseases: HIV, syphilis and hepatitis B. This is recommended so that if one of these conditions is detected, treatment can be started early (if required) and a plan for your pregnancy can be made to reduce the risk of your baby becoming infected.

## Inconclusive result

You have been given this leaflet because you will have been informed that one of your results has been reported as inconclusive.

Your blood is initially screened at the West Suffolk Hospital and has been tested at a second laboratory. In this instance we have not been able to obtain a definitive result.

Please be reassured that this does NOT mean you have a positive result.

We now require a repeat blood test which must be taken a minimum of two weeks from when your original blood test was taken.

In most cases, the laboratories can provide a definitive result on the repeat sample and this result is negative for the majority of people. You will be informed of the result of the second blood test directly, via telephone.

## Contact details

If you have any questions, please contact the Antenatal and Newborn Screening Co-ordinator midwives on 01284 712567 or email: [annbscreening@wsh.nhs.net](mailto:annbscreening@wsh.nhs.net)

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