

## **Generation NIPT Genetic Counselling Service**

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Genomic Diagnostics provide through their qualified genetic counselling partners, supportive, free of charge genetic counselling for patients with high risk Generation NIPT results. This high-quality telehealth service aims to inform, educate and empower patients to assist them with understanding and making informed decisions regarding their pregnancy.

## What does the Genetic Counselling Cover?

- Detailed explanation of the high risk result including chance that it is a true positive result
- Information about the condition associated with the high risk result
- Possible next steps/further testing options
- Discussion about the emotional and psychosocial impact of a high risk NIPT result
- Answer any questions the patient may have relating to the high risk result
- Provision of fact sheet to patient and summary letter to referring healthcare practitioner

## How do I refer someone for Genetic Counselling?

- High risk Generation NIPT result faxed or emailed to your clinic with a dedicated referral form for genetic counselling
- **Discuss result** with your patient and determine if genetic counselling through Genomic Diagnostics is required
- Complete referral form for genetic counselling and fax or email to counselling service
- Patient contacted by counsellors within 12-48 hours to book counselling session
- 5 Patient counselling session occurs
- A summary of the counselling session is faxed to you as the referring doctor

After counselling, your patient will be referred back to you for follow-up and ongoing management.

- Genetic counselling appointments are up to 60 minutes and are available 9am-5pm EST with after-hours and weekends by specific request.
- It is essential a current patient phone number is provided on the referral.
- Counsellors obtain a copy of patient's results directly from Genomic Diagnostics.

The genetic counselling sessions for Generation NIPT are designed to enable patients to discuss any questions and explore any issues and implications of their high risk NIPT results only. The service is not designed to offer genetic counselling regarding other genetic conditions unless agreed upon beforehand. Following the conclusion of the telehealth consultation, the counselling service has no subsequent duty of care to the patient as they are referred back to their healthcare practitioner.

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