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Dear Service User,

I am writing to inform you of a change to our service regarding testing of samples obtained from pregnancy loss (tissues).

Guidance from the National Genomics Test Directory August 20-21 requires a cohort of samples obtained from pregnancy loss and proven to be normal using QF-PCR to be processed using Microarray technology. To date this testing has been done using a low resolution sequencing platform (CNVSeq).

From Monday 1st February 2021, samples received from pregnancy loss will be triaged using QF-PCR and those normal for this test and that fulfil the criteria of gestation of <12 weeks, abnormal phenotype at ultrasound scan or patients who have had ≥ 3 miscarriages will be processed using Microarray technology.

From this date we will also be stratifying the tissue acceptance criteria to improve the quality of the service. Those that have no identifiable fetal component will not be processed and a letter will be issued to the service user to this effect.

For more information please contact me via e-mail (james.steer@nhs.net) or refer to our website:

<http://www.leedsth.nhs.uk/a-z-of-services/the-leeds-genetics-laboratory/>

Yours faithfully

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