

**Patient
Information**

Penicillin allergy testing result: Negative

Test results

The results of your penicillin allergy test show:

- **You do not have an immediate/severe allergy to penicillin**

What does this mean for me?

You no longer need to tell medical teams looking after you that you are allergic to penicillin for example, when you are taken into hospital.

This means if you ever need treatment for an infection in future, you will now be able to receive antibiotics which contain penicillin.

If you had side effects when you took penicillin in the past such as nausea, you may still want to tell your doctor as they may give you medication to take with the antibiotics to reduce this.

If a rash develops within the next 72 hours, please let your hospital doctor or GP know (if you have been discharged from hospital).

What happens now?

A letter will be sent to your GP to let them know the results of the test. We will ask your GP to remove the 'penicillin allergy' from your medical record. We will also remove it from your hospital record.

Please let any other healthcare staff who may prescribe or give you medicines know that your allergy record has been updated and that you are no longer regarded as allergic to penicillin.

If you have any questions about the penicillin allergy test or your results and what that means for you, please speak to a member of the medical team looking after you or your GP.

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Making a choice

Shared Decision Making

If you are asked to make a choice, you may have lots of questions that you want to ask. You may also want to talk over your options with your family or friends. It can help to write a list of the questions you want answered and take it to your appointment.



Ask 3 Questions

To begin with, try to make sure you get the answers to three key questions if you are asked to make a choice about your healthcare.

1. What are my options?
2. What are the pros and cons of each option for me?
3. How do I get support to help me make a decision that is right for me?

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