

Information for patients and carers

Penicillin Allergy Test: Direct Oral Challenge Outcome: INCONCLUSIVE

You agreed to have a test for penicillin allergy.
The results of your penicillin allergy direct oral challenge show that you experienced a non-specific reaction.
This means we CANNOT SAY FOR CERTAIN THAT YOU ARE NOT ALLERGIC TO PENICILLIN

What does this mean for me?

You should continue to avoid taking antibiotics which contain penicillin.

Common examples of penicillin antibiotics include FLUCLOXACILLIN, PHENOXYMETHYLPENICILLIN (also known as PENICILLIN V), AMOXICILLIN and CO-AMOXICLAV (also known as AUGMENTIN)

You have been given this information to carry with you to let people who need to give you medicine know that you have an allergy to penicillin.

Remember to ask any healthcare staff who may prescribe or give you medicines to check if it has penicillin in it.

What happens now?

A letter will be sent to your GP to tell them of the result of the test and will include the type of reaction you have had so that your medical record can be updated. They may refer you to an immunologist for further investigation.

If you have any questions about the type of reaction you have had please ask the medical team looking after you to tell you more about what happened.

Sources of further information

www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk www.nhs.uk www.accessable.co.uk

www.patient.co.uk www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk/veteran-aware

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Please ask a member of staff if you would like help in understanding this information.

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