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Dear «e0title» «e0surname»

The Chlamydia Screening Study – *ClasS*

Thank you very much for taking part in the first part of The Chlamydia Screening Study. In the first phase we established how common Chlamydia infection is in the general population. You have been selected to take part in this second part of the study. This may mean that either you have a negative result and are being asked to return to the surgery, or you have a positive result and it is important that you receive treatment. It is important we see both groups at the clinic, to gain a better understanding of the risk factors for Chlamydia.

We need you to complete the enclosed questionnaire, it should take you less than half an hour. Some of the questions are quite personal but all your answers will be strictly confidential. We would then like you to see one of the Practice Nurses in our practice. She will be contacting you shortly to arrange an appointment. You can contact her by phoning the practice on the numbers above and asking to speak to **Sue Deverson**.

Put the completed questionnaire in the brown envelope provided, seal it and bring it with you when attending your appointment. The practice nurse will answer any questions you may have relating to the questionnaire. You will then be informed about the test result. If the result is negative you will not have to do anything further. If the result is positive for Chlamydia you will receive treatment free of charge and the nurse will invite you to take part in the third part of this research.

We are also asking everyone who is taking part in this, the second phase of the study to give another sample. Please collect a sample of urine (and for women also a vulvo-vaginal swab) as you did for the first phase of the study, and post to the Public Health Laboratory in the white pre-paid addressed envelope enclosed. Instructions on taking the samples are also enclosed.

Please remember to:

- Collect and POST your samples with the completed "*Repeat Sample:Sheet*" to the laboratory in the enclosed white pre-paid addressed envelope
- Complete the enclosed questionnaire and bring it with you on the day of your appointment with the practice nurse.

(If you need another questionnaire or sample container please ring the nurse and we will send you another.)

We would be very grateful if you would agree to take part even if you feel that you are not at risk of this infection. This is a very important study and your contribution counts

Yours sincerely

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