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LETTER FROM GP TO POTENTIAL PATIENT INTERVIEWEES INVITING THEM TO TAKE PART IN AN IN-DEPTH INTERVIEW

Date

[Address]

Dear

Re: Chlamydia Screening Study

You were recently invited to take part in the Chlamydia Screening Study. An important aspect of this research is to find out how people felt about being asked to have a test for Chlamydia. We would also like to know in detail what they thought about the testing procedure. I am therefore writing to you to ask if you would be prepared to be interviewed by a researcher from the study team about your experiences of taking part in this screening study.

Interviews conducted to date suggest that they generally last about 30 minutes. The interviews are quite informal and conversational and are aimed at allowing people to express their own ideas about chlamydia and their views of the testing process. While informal, the interviews are confidential and any views expressed would only be reported in an anonymous way. Interviews can be undertaken wherever would be most convenient for you. Options include your home, your GP's surgery, a local community centre, or the University of Bristol. Wherever the interview takes place we would ensure that privacy is maintained. We will reimburse any travel expenses you incur in taking part in the study.

If you would be willing to be interviewed, please complete the attached slip below and put it in the envelope provided. The postage has already been paid for, so there is no need to put a stamp on it. If you have any further questions about this request or the research project, please ring the researcher Nicola Mills on 0117 9287210.

Yours sincerely

[letter to be signed by patient's own GP]



I am happy to be contacted with a view to my being interviewed about my experience of being tested for Chlamydia.

I can be contacted on this telephone number*..... usually at these times.....

I would prefer not to be contacted about an interview

Please return this slip in the envelope provided. You do not need to use a stamp. Thank you.
<Barcode>

**If you are willing to give your telephone number this will be treated with absolute confidentiality*