

**Letter from GP to patients who have been mailed negative test results requesting them to complete a follow-up anxiety questionnaire**

*To be sent on GP headed note paper*

<Address><Study ID>

Dear

**The Chlamydia Screening Study**

As part of the Chlamydia Screening Study we are interested in measuring people's well-being. We are therefore asking people who have received a negative test result to complete the enclosed questionnaire.

This is a shortened version of a questionnaire that you may have already completed. We are asking you to provide answers to repeat questions because we are interested in comparing how people feel *over time*. There is no need to try and remember what answers you put before, we are keen to find out how you feel *now*.

We understand that you may have been asked to complete several other forms already, and we really appreciate your help in doing so, but the information we receive from people like yourself is very helpful. This information will ultimately help us decide whether a national screening programme is needed to reduce the consequences of Chlamydial infection.

The questionnaire only takes, on average, five minutes to complete. When you have filled it in please could you send it back in the envelope provided. You do not need to use a stamp as the postage is paid for.

We hope you will be able to spare a few minutes to complete this questionnaire but you do not have to do so. Deciding not to take part in this research will not affect the care you receive in any way.

Your name does not appear on the questionnaire and if you complete and return it all the information you provide will be kept strictly confidential. Your answers will be added together with those of other people being asked to take part in this study. No one will be individually identified in any published results of this study. If you wish to receive details on the results of this questionnaire study then please indicate this on the questionnaire.

If you have any questions about this study please do not hesitate to contact:

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Thank you for your time. We do appreciate it.

Yours sincerely

*The letter will be signed by a GP from the practice concerned.*