Patient information following CVS

or Amniocentesis



Women's Health Service

Following the procedure you may experience:

- Abdominal pain and cramping
- Vaginal bleeding or fluid loss

If your pain is not relieved with Paracetamol or any vaginal loss continues please seek assistance from your referring LMC, your doctor (GP) or local emergency department.

Following your procedure please do not;

- Do any energetic/hard activities (such as exercise) for 48 hours
- Have sexual intercourse for 48 hours

Following your procedure you can;

- Return to work the day after if you feel well (please ask for a medical certificate for work if required)
- Take Paracetamol during pregnancy safely, please use this for pain relief as per directions on the box

How can I get my results?

There are two results available from the test – a short term and a long term result.

- In most cases we will ring you to tell you the short term result within the next two working days (ie: Monday to Friday).
- Long term results are available 2 to 3 weeks after your test. A copy of this result is sent to your referring practitioner, such as your LMC or GP.

Contact us

Maternal Fetal Medicine

Phone: 04 398 5999 ext. 80774 or 80547

Hours: Monday to Friday 8am to 4:30pm (except public holidays).