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Dear Parent:

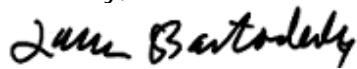
All children in Delaware have blood tests done soon after birth to check for several different hereditary conditions. As you have already heard, your baby had an increased level of an amino acid phenylalanine that may indicate the presence of a genetic condition known as phenylketonuria.

Your doctor has been notified and your baby should already have been referred for further testing. Please call your doctor or our office if you have further questions. As more information becomes available we will share it with you.

If after further testing and evaluation it is found that your baby has this condition, we urge you to speak with you baby's doctor about referral to the Delaware Early Intervention Program, Child Development WATCH (CDW) for children ages birth to 3, for assistance in monitoring your baby's progress. Referrals to CDW can be made at: **New Castle County:** Limestone Building – (302) 995-8617 OR 1-800-671-0500, **Kent/Sussex County:** Milford Walnut Street Building – (302) 424-7300 OR 1-800-752-9393.

If you have any further questions or suggestions, please let us know. You may call the Newborn Screening Program at 302-744-4544 or toll free at 1-800-262-3030.

Sincerely,



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