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Dear Parent:

All children in Delaware have blood tests done soon after birth to check for several different hereditary biochemical conditions. These disorders can be treated if found early. If they are not discovered in time, they can lead to developmental delay or serious illness.

Your baby's screening test was reported as **"UNSATISFACTORY"**. **This means the test was not able to be satisfactorily completed.** This can happen for several reasons: too little blood was drawn so not all the tests could be run; the blood did not dry completely before mailing; or the sample was damaged in the mail on the way to the laboratory. etc. Unsatisfactory usually does not mean that the test was abnormal or that your baby has one of these disorders. However to be sure, it is most important that the test be repeated.

Please schedule a repeat test as soon as possible if you have not done so already. As a parent, you can help to assure the health of your child through your cooperation with Delaware's Newborn Screening Program.

Please call our office at 302-744-4544 or toll free at 1-800-262-3030 or your doctor if you have further questions. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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