

First prenatal appointment discussion guide

Congratulations! These are exciting times! With so much change on the horizon, we know you're sure to have questions. Use this discussion guide as a reminder to get the answers you need during your first prenatal appointment.



Ask your pregnancy care provider:

What foods, medications, or supplements should I avoid during pregnancy?
What medications are safe to take during pregnancy?
Are there any prenatal tests that can/should be done now or soon?
How soon can I find out the baby's sex?
What else can the Harmony test tell me? How accurate is it?
What are the advantages of using the Harmony test vs. traditional screening methods?
When and how will my prenatal screening test results be shared with me? What do the results mean?





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Harmony Prenatal Test Requisition

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Patient Informed Consent

The Harmony® Prenatal Test is a prenatal screening test that analyzes cell-free DNA (cfDNA) in maternal blood. The test provides a risk assessment, not a diagnosis, of fetal chromosomal or genetic conditions, and fetal sex determination. Consider Harmony results in the context of other clinical criteria. Follow up confirmatory testing based on Harmony results for Trisomy 21, 18, 13, sex chromosome aneuploidy, or 22q11.2 could reveal maternal chromosomal or genetic conditions in some cases. Results from the Harmony Prenatal Test should be communicated in a setting designated by your healthcare provider that includes the availability of appropriate genetic counselling.

The Harmony non-invasive prenatal test is licensed in accordance with Health Canada regulation requirements for a class III license. The Harmony test is based on cell-free DNA analysis and is considered a prenatal screening test, not a diagnostic test. Harmony does not screen for potential chromosomal or genetic conditions other than those expressly identified in this document. All women should discuss their results with their healthcare provider who can recommend confirmatory diagnostic testing where appropriate.

Who is eligible for the Harmony Prenatal Test?

Patients must be of at least 10 weeks gestational age for any of the Harmony Test offerings. Patients with a twin pregnancy are not eligible for monosomy X, sex chromosome aneuploidy or 22q11.2 options. The Harmony Prenatal Test is not for patients with a history of or active malignancy; a pregnancy with fetal demise; a pregnancy with more than two fetuses; or a history of bone marrow or organ transplants.

What are the limitations of the Harmony Prenatal Test for Trisomies 21, 18, and 13, sex chromosome aneuploidy, and fetal sex determination?

The Harmony Prenatal Test is not validated for use in pregnancies with more than two fetuses, fetal demise, mosaicism, partial chromosome aneuploidy, translocations, maternal aneuploidy, transplant, malignancy, or in women under the age of 18. Harmony does not detect neural tube defects. Certain rare biological conditions may also affect the accuracy of the test. For twin pregnancies, HIGH RISK test results apply to at least one fetus; male test results apply to one or both fetuses; female results apply to both fetuses.

Not all trisomic fetuses will be detected. Some trisomic fetuses may have LOW RISK results. Some non-trisomic fetuses may have HIGH RISK results. False negative and false positive results are possible. A LOW RISK result does not guarantee an unaffected pregnancy due to the screening limitations of the test. Harmony provides a risk assessment, not a diagnosis, and results should be considered in the context of other clinical criteria. It is recommended that a HIGH RISK result and/or other clinical indications of a chromosomal abnormality be confirmed through fetal karyotype analysis such as amniocentesis. It is recommended that results be communicated in a setting designated by your healthcare provider that includes appropriate counselling. For a variety of reasons, including biological, the test has a failure rate. As such, you may be requested to redraw a new sample. In a small number of cases, a result for fetal sex and/or sex chromosome aneuploidy determination may not be obtained. This can be due to biological and technical factors influencing sex chromosome analysis that did not impact trisomy analysis.

Note: Options for Fetal Sex, Monosomy X, and Sex Chromosome Aneuploidy Panel can only be added up to a maximum of 30 days following initial reporting.

What are the limitations of the Harmony Prenatal Test for 22q11.2?

In addition to the limitations discussed above, the 22q11.2 option is not validated for use in pregnancies with more than one fetus or for women with a 22q11.2 duplication or deletion.

A 22q11.2 deletion may not be detected in all fetuses. Due to the limitations of the test, a LOW PROBABILITY result does not guarantee that a fetus is unaffected by a chromosomal or genetic condition. Some fetuses with a 22q11.2 deletion may receive a test result of LOW PROBABILITY. Some fetuses without the 22q11.2 deletion may receive a test result of HIGH PROBABILITY. In cases of HIGH PROBABILITY results and/or other clinical indications of a chromosomal condition, confirmatory testing is necessary for diagnosis.

Note: The 22q11.2 test is not part of the Health Canada approval of the Harmony Prenatal Test and is performed at a CLIA approved laboratory in the United States.

This test must be requested at the time of the order and cannot be added after submission of the original test requisition/specimens.

What is done with my sample after testing is complete?

No additional clinical testing will be performed on your blood sample other than those authorized by your healthcare provider. Dynacare will disclose the test results only to the healthcare provider(s) listed on the front of this form, or to his or her agent, unless otherwise authorized by you or as required by laws, regulations, or judicial order. Details on Dynacare's policies and procedures governing patient privacy and health information, including patient rights regarding such information, can be found at www.dynacare.ca/privacy-policy.aspx.

Your specimen will be tested in Canada, however, in some cases your sample may be sent to a laboratory in the United States for testing. In this case, personal information, including but not limited to name and date of birth, will accompany the sample. Personal information held in countries outside of Canada could be subject to disclosure to government or other authorities (whether of that country or of another country).

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Patient Instructions for Sample Collection

To know the location of the nearest collection centre, call us at 888.988.1888 or visit dynacare.ca. You also have the option of having your sample collected in the comfort of your own home at no extra charge.* One of our specially trained medical technicians will come to your home to perform the blood draw. To book your home collection appointment, contact Dynacare at 888.988.1888.

*Depending on distance, additional charges may apply.