Consent for Services

Nurture Genomics' mission is to set a new standard in childhood health through genome-guided screening and care navigation delivered early in life, when intervention has the greatest impact. The purpose of this consent form is to provide you with information about the Services (defined below) and to obtain your informed consent for those Services. By signing this form, you authorize Nurture Genomics, Nurture Medical Services, affiliated physician practices, and our contracted healthcare partners ("Nurture Genomics and partners") to provide genetic testing to your child and related care navigation and education services ("Services") to you and your family.

Genomic Testing. Nurture Genomics and partners may order genomic testing for your child. This testing uses a cheek swab sample, which is then processed by a CLIA-certified third-party laboratory. Nurture Genomics examines your child's DNA to detect DNA changes that could put your child at risk for future treatable medical conditions. Nurture Genomics is intended for healthy children and does not test for all medical conditions. If you or your healthcare provider are concerned about specific symptoms or a possible diagnosis, a specialist can help determine the most appropriate testing.

The process involves DNA sequencing to identify specific changes ("variants") in a limited panel of your child's genes. These genes were selected because genetic changes in these genes may enable your child's healthcare team to provide relevant treatments and better predict the course of a condition. More details about the genes included in the test are available at app.nurturegenomics.com.

Genetic results reflect current medical knowledge and may not be accurate as new evidence emerges. New discoveries related to the relationship between genes and diseases as well as the interpretation of changes found in DNA are still being made. Nurture Genomics may in the future re-analyze your child's genome or re-interpret information from the initial analysis and may contact you if additional information becomes available. Some limitations apply to all genetic testing. Genetic screening will not identify all possible health conditions that your child may develop in the future. Some health conditions are not genetic, and some conditions may not be detected by the selected test(s).

Post-test Support. Discussion with your child's healthcare provider and/or a genetic counseling visit may be recommended for results indicating increased health risks. Genetic Counselors or clinical assistants working under the direction of physicians or genetic counselors from Nurture Genomics may contact you by secure message, phone, or video visit to share results, coordinate follow-up, or explain recommended next steps (including confirmatory testing).

Follow up care provided by Nurture Genomics may include genetic counseling, navigation or care coordination **but does not** include diagnosis, treatment, or prescribing; your child's healthcare provider(s) are responsible for direct medical care.

Understanding Results: Benefits and Limitations to Genetic Testing
Positive (Increased-Risk) Results

If your child receives an increased-risk or "positive" finding on the Nurture Genomics screening test:

- A positive result may suggest increased risk and additional testing or surveillance may be recommended.

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- A positive result does not mean your child will develop the condition.
- Genetic counseling and consultation with a health care professional is recommended before taking any action. You will have access to Nurture's Services to help understand the results and discuss possible next steps with your child's healthcare provider.
- Do not make medical decisions without consulting your child's healthcare provider.
- Some results may have implications for other family members.

Negative Results

A negative or normal result does not guarantee that your child will never develop a genetic condition. Screening cannot identify all possible genetic risks.

- Some genetic changes may not be detectable with current technology.
- Genetic changes will only be reported if they increase the risk for disease in your child. Changes that have an uncertain or unknown impact will not be reported.
- We will not report carrier status. Carrier status means only one of the two necessary genetic changes for a disease has been identified.
- Technical factors, such as low DNA quality or rare laboratory errors, may affect accuracy.
- Genetics is only one component to health; environmental and other factors also play large roles.

Emotional, Social, and Legal Considerations. Learning genetic information that reveals health risks for your child or relatives could cause emotional distress or anxiety. Genetic information could be used to discriminate against individuals in employment, insurance, or social relationships, however Federal and state laws, including the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA) and applicable state genetic privacy laws, provide some protections against genetic discrimination, but these protections have limits. For more information see here.

Communications and Electronic Delivery. By signing this consent, you agree that Nurture Genomics and partners may send you disclosures, notices, messages, results and other communications electronically or in writing. Electronic signatures and electronic delivery have the same legal effect as paper documents. Although safeguards are used to protect information, no transmission method is 100% secure. Nurture Genomics will use electronic communications to alert you to important information. Nurture Genomics does not take responsibility for ensuring that you review communications sent to you. You acknowledge and agree that you will not hold Nurture Genomics and partners liable for any loss, injury, or claim of any kind resulting from your failure to read these communications or for your failure to comply with any treatment recommendations contained in these communications.

Use of Health and Genetic Information. The Services may generate health and genetic information about you or your child. Nurture Genomics and partners may also receive relevant information from your or your child's medical record as needed to provide the Services. **Information will be used and disclosed only as permitted by law and as described in our Privacy Policy, which we encourage you to review before signing this consent.**

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Raw data and interpreted results for any test ordered by Nurture Genomics and partners will be stored within the testing laboratory as required by law and stored electronically by Nurture Genomics. Nurture will make results available to you and any healthcare provider you designate. Results may also be made available to individuals/organizations with a legal right of access under applicable Federal and/or State law, or as authorized by the parent or legal guardian on behalf of the child.

De-Identification and Data Use. Nurture Genomics may de-identify your or your child's data or biospecimens. Once de-identified, we may utilize and share your data for quality improvement, test validation, research, product development, and other purposes described in our Privacy Statement. Third parties receiving de-identified information are prohibited from attempting to re-identify you or your child.

Any leftover biological materials may be stored and used for the purposes described in our Privacy Statement.

Future Contact. Nurture Genomics and partners may contact you with results, updated interpretations or result changes, relevant services, or potential research opportunities. Participation in research is voluntary.

Marketing Restrictions. Nurture Genomics and partners will not share your or your child's identifiable genetic or self-reported information for marketing purposes. Details are available in our Privacy Statement.

Use of Services. If you do not consent to the use of your or your child's information as described herein and in the Privacy Statement, you will not be able to use the Services.

For questions or copies of your signed consent:
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