## Copy for the person giving blood – Please keep for your records

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Throughout the year we distribute samples to the laboratories to monitor the quality of the testing process and to ensure that any new test is reliable. These samples can be from individuals who have either already been diagnosed with a disorder, are known to be carriers of that disorder, or have been previously tested for that disorder and a mutation was not identified.

This sample you provide will be used by GenQA solely for the purposes of EQA. The samples will be anonymised, which means that we will remove anything on the sample that tells us who you are. We will not perform any other tests on the sample other than those listed below.

We are very grateful for your help by providing this blood sample (**in an EDTA tube**).

If you agree to provide a sample for this purpose, please complete the form below. Please contact GenQA if you require any further information: [info@genqa.org](mailto:info@genqa.org)

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| **Name** |  |
| **Sex** | Male / Female |
| **Condition / disorder** |  |
| **Genotype** (if known) |  |
| I consent to the use of a blood sample from the above individual for quality control purposes to contribute to the continuing reliable provision of diagnostic services. | |
| **Signed** |  |
| **Print name** |  |
| **Relationship** | Subject / Parent / Other (please specify) |
| **Date** |  |
| To be completed by the person collecting the sample: | |
| **Signed** |  |
| **Print name** |  |
| **Job / role** |  |

## GenQA copy *– please return to GenQA Office with the blood sample*

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