

Invitation to the GUARDIAN Study

Ms. [mother's name]

We would like to invite you to be a part of the GUARDIAN study and have your new baby screened for an additional 40 to 160 genetic conditions not currently screened as part of standard newborn screening. The purpose of this study is to find babies who have these conditions so they can have the best chance to live a healthier life. For the conditions that have treatment available, it is important to start it early.

This screen is free and will use the blood spot card that was collected from your baby for standard newborn screening. No additional sample from your baby is required.

If you have any questions or would like to have your baby be part of the study, please contact our study team at guardianstudy@cumc.columbia.edu or call us at 718-514-4947. If you choose to participate, the GUARDIAN study team will then contact you with the results about 3-6 weeks after the sample is collected.

Thank you for your participation in this study.

Sincerely,

The GUARDIAN Study Team
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