

**Your Blood Test** 

What happens next?



Answers to some commonly asked questions after your blood test.

# 🚺 Why do I need a blood test?

There are a few reasons why your doctor may request that you have a blood sample taken. These can be to help with diagnosis, to monitor treatment, exclude certain conditions or as a preventative medicine.

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The easiest way to view your results is by using your **NHS App** or **Patient Access**. You can also call the Reception team on **01256 702371 after 2pm**.

If the results are showing as "provisional" this means they have not been viewed by a GP who will interpret the significance in relation to your consultation with them.

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## Where does my blood sample go?

The samples are transported to the pathology laboratory daily and begin to be processed on the same day.

## Will I get a call about my results?

If your results are within the normal range and the GP is satisfied, you will NOT usually be contacted.

#### How long do I have to wait to find out?

The results are sent to the GP who requested the sample as soon as they are completed, usually within 7 days. The laboratory will flag if the result is urgent and you will be contacted by your GP.

## O What do my results mean?

A test result outside the reference range may not indicate a problem. Equally, if all results are within the reference range, this does not completely guarantee there isn't a concern.

Comments may have been added automatically by a laboratory computer or by a laboratory scientist or doctor. Generally, comments are written for the doctor requesting the test rather than the patient, and so they may not be particularly meaningful to you.

1.Log into your NHS app 2.Select GP Health Record

3. Select Test results

