

**Template letter to hospital provider regarding follow up of diagnostic test results following a patient's discharge from hospital**

Dear X

We received a copy of patient X's results on \_\_\_\_\_

You will be aware of published NHS England [guidance](#) setting out ***Standards for the communication of patient diagnostic test results on discharge from hospital***. We therefore assume that this is for information only, and that a relevant clinician in your department has actioned this, in keeping with that [guidance](#).

In future, can we suggest that you refrain from sending copies of results to this practice, unless it is of direct clinical relevance, and clearly marked "**for information only**".

We have copied our CCG to inform them of this.

We thank you for your understanding.

Yours faithfully