Worcestershire NHS

Acute Hospitals NHS Trust

## **INCREASED NT AT DATING SCAN COUNSELLING CHECKLIST**

SCREENING TEST	DATE OF SAMPLE	RESULT
NT MEASUREMENT		
COMBINED		
SCREENING		

TO DISCUSS	POINTS TO CONSIDER	SIGN & DATE
1. Offer appt to attend unit to discuss findings if not done at time of scan.	Offer accepted.     YES or NO	
2. Explain the possible implications of an increased NT	<ul> <li>Link to increased risk of miscarriage, chromosomal difference &amp; cardiac anomaly.</li> </ul>	
3. Option 1 – take no action	<ul> <li>Viability scan @ 16/40</li> <li>Cardiac echo fetal med clinic @ 18- 19/40.</li> <li>Can opt back into diagnostic testing at a later time.</li> </ul>	
4. Option 2 – combined screening to determine calculated chance of T21/T13/T18	<ul> <li>Explain we would expect this result to come back as a higher chance with a increased NT and to consider their next step.</li> <li>This option should be encouraged as per national standards</li> </ul>	
5. Option 2 – CVS BWH.Diagnostic 100% accuracy. Await combined screening result.	<ul> <li>Time for referral</li> <li>Miscarriage risk 1%</li> <li>Procedure</li> <li>PCR &amp; Microarray</li> </ul>	

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6. Option 3 – Amniocentisis from 15/40.Diagnostic. 100% accuracy.	<ul> <li>Miscarriage risk 1%</li> <li>Prodcedure</li> <li>72hrs result T21, T13 &amp; T18.</li> </ul>	
7. Option 4 – NIPT private screening. Not offered on the NHS £300 -£500.	• Not recommended when a increased NT is noted as it may give false reassurances NIPT does not look at all chromosomes.	
8. Make woman aware she has time to consider all options.	<ul> <li>Can go away and think about options.</li> <li>Make sure all contact numbers are given.</li> <li>Any questions?</li> </ul>	
9. Pappa-A result if applicable	<ul> <li>Implications for pregnancy.</li> <li>Actions taken as per pathway.</li> </ul>	
10. Normal CVS/AMNIO result arrange 16/40 viability and 18/40 cardiac echo.	• Appts booked and sent to patient – insert date &time.	
11. Fetal med discharge	<ul> <li>CONS AN care &amp; serial scan pathway to be implimented.</li> <li>Insert date of next appt.</li> </ul>	

OUTCOME	SIGN & DATE	RESULT
1. Take no action		N/A
2. Referral for CVS		
3. Amniocentisis		
4. NIPT		
5. Patient info emailed		

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