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Prenatal Testing

Please feel free to discuss options for prenatal testing with us. The following are genetic screening tests that are available.

I understand the following screening tests are available to look for potential problems with my baby, such as Down syndrome, Spina Bifida or other abnormalities:

_____ Ultrascreen – 11-13 weeks, 6 days. Specialized ultrasound combined with blood work. Detects approximately 90% of Down syndrome cases with a 5% false positive rate.

_____ Multiple Marker Testing – 14-22 weeks (Triple screen, Quad screen, Penta screen) detects 75%-85% of cases of Down syndrome with a 5% false positive rate.

_____ Fetal DNA – MaterniT21 – Any time after 9 weeks (For women over age 35 or who have other risk factors)

_____ Alpha-fetoprotein testing – 15-22 weeks. Used as a companion to Ultrascreen testing to look for problems with formation of brain and spinal cord (spina bifida) – included in Multiple Marker tests.

_____ Cystic Fibrosis carrier testing – If you desire this test, it will be added to your routine initial OB labs.

_____ I choose to perform the tests above.

_____ I decline all tests above.

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINTED NAME