

Patient information leaflet

Penicillin allergy testing result: Positive

As you know you had a reaction to penicillin during the test which confirms:

YOU ARE ALLERGIC TO PENICILLIN

You should continue to avoid taking antibiotics which contain penicillin.

Examples of these antibiotics include phenoxymethylpenicillin (penicillin V), amoxicillin, flucloxacillin and co-amoxiclav (Augmentin).

You will be given a card to carry with you to let people who need to give you medicine know that you have an allergy to penicillin and this will include all the medicines you should avoid.

Remember to ask any healthcare staff who may prescribe or give you medicines to check if it has penicillin in it.

A letter will be sent to your GP to tell them of the result of the test and will include the type of reaction you have had so that your medical record can be updated.

If you have any questions about the type of reaction you have had please ask the medical team looking after you to tell you more about what happened.