

## **RHSC Metabolic Laboratory – Change of site**

The Royal Hospital for Sick Children in Edinburgh will soon be moving to new hospital premises. In order to prepare for this change, metabolic testing services currently placed at RHSC will be relocated to the Western General Hospital in Edinburgh.

From Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November, the following tests will be resultated and reported from the WGH site:

**Amino acid analysis (plasma, urine, CSF)**  
**Organic acid analysis (urine)**  
**MPS Quantitation/Electrophoresis (urine)**  
**Phenylalanine monitoring (plasma)**  
**Homocysteine (plasma)**  
**Lysosomal enzyme analysis (whole blood)**  
**Gal-1-PUT enzyme (whole blood)**  
**Biotinidase enzyme (plasma)**  
**Disaccharidase enzyme analysis (duodenal/jejunal biopsy)**  
**Sweat chloride/conductivity**

The change in location will render the above tests unaccredited to ISO15189 pending further assessment. However, the laboratory will continue to maintain the current rigorous quality control procedures for all investigations performed during this interim period.

Specific queries regarding these can be directed either to the WGH laboratory reception on 0131 537 1910 or metabolic biochemist on 07866 033377.

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