PKU clinical management guidelines*

Presumptive positive PKU**

Lab notifies PKU Clinical Liaison Services (CLS) on the day of the result

ON THE SAME DAY

- a. Parents should NOT be informed of a positive result if an appointment cannot be given for the same or next day e.g. parents should not be informed on a Friday unless an appointment is for that day or the Saturday. In this case contact should be deferred until after the weekend to the next working day
- 2. PKU CLS contact designated (or specialist) team as per local protocol to arrange 'first review' appointment (to take place by next working day).
- 3. PKU CLS ensure appropriate face-to-face contact is made with family that day (nurse specialist/GP/HV/midwife as per local protocol).
- 4. PKU CLS to fax/email following information to GP: GP letter, 'PKU is suspected' leaflet, contact details for PKU designated (or specialist) team, appointment time and location.
- 5. Ensure family given above information (except GP letter) when first family contact is made.

FIRST REVIEW: FACE-TO-FACE - (within 24 hours of informing parents of the screening result)

Take diagnostic samples***

Dietetic review and commence dietary management if appropriate within 24 hours****

Clinician to ensure:

- i) Family have received PKU designated (or specialist) team contact details and appropriate dietary guidelines
- ii) Letter have been sent to: GP, local paediatrician, local dietitian as necessary

*See PKU initial clinical referral guidelines and standards for further details

**See PKU screening protocol for details

***See **PKU diagnostic protocol** for confirmatory test details

1st REVIEW OF AND COMMUNICATION OF DIAGNOSTIC RESULTS – within 15 working days of 1st face-to-face review

Clinical review and results: phenylalanine, tyrosine, pterins and dihydropteridine reductase (DHPR)

Arrange sibling screening if PKU confirmed*****

If diagnosis not confirmed - see diagnostic protocol***

****See PKU dietetic management pathway details on BIMDG website - www.bimdg.org.uk/site/guidelines-enbs.asp

*****See PKU sibling protocol for details

