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Dear Provider:

The Genetic Disease Screening Program of the California State Department of Public Health collects data on birth defects and the outcome of pregnancy as part of the ongoing evaluation of the California Prenatal Screening Program. It is mandatory by California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 17, Section 6527 (g)(2) that health professionals provide accurate information to all questions in the “Confidential Report of an Outcome of Pregnancy” survey for their patients who received services from the California Prenatal Screening Program. We request that the “Confidential Report of an Outcome of Pregnancy” survey be completed for all pregnancies with screen positive results, for all twin pregnancies, and for a subsample of 1% of screen negative pregnancies. The data provided is essential to the effectiveness evaluation of the policies and practices adopted by the California Prenatal Screening Program. It is also fundamental to the research efforts determining prevalence and monitoring occurrence trends of neural tube defects, chromosome abnormalities, and other birth defects.

Starting mid-2021, the Genetic Disease Screening Program will no longer send out paper forms to conduct the “Confidential Report of an Outcome of Pregnancy” survey. Instead, the survey will need to be completed on a secure online portal platform. With the new online portal, a secure link will be sent to you via email (if available) or mail. The link will take you to a webpage where you will be able to login and complete the “Confidential Report of an Outcome of Pregnancy” survey.

To help us migrate to paperless data collection, please provide a primary contact name and email address on the blank post card included with this letter to receive survey solicitations electronically, in preparation for the online portal (if you have not done so already). Please return the completed postcard to the Genetic Disease Screening Program at any USPS drop box or post office within 14 days of receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,
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