



## PATERNITY TESTING ON CVS AND AMNIOCENTESIS

DNA QLD is a paternity testing facility in Brisbane which is owned and operated by Queenslanders. DNA QLD is able to process samples from Ultrasound facilities throughout Australasia and Asia. Clients are required to contact DNA QLD for an application form prior to their procedure. We are able to confirm or exclude paternity from DNA which is extracted from either CVS or amniotic fluid, when accompanied by a buccal swab from the mother and alleged father.

This testing can exclude or include paternity to 99.9999% accuracy. Samples for CVS testing are taken at between 12 and 14 weeks gestation. Most clinics will collect amniocytes at 16 to 18 weeks gestation; however one Brisbane Fetal Ultrasound centre will collect amniocytes into the latter stages of pregnancy.

Clients are informed that prenatal testing carries a risk of miscarriage of an otherwise healthy pregnancy. We advise that the published risk rate of miscarrying an otherwise healthy pregnancy after CVS is 1% (ie 1 in 100 pregnancies) and after amniocentesis 0.5% (ie 1 in 200 pregnancies). Clients will be asked to sign an informed consent confirming this understanding. DNA QLD can provide a paternity result within 5 working days, and urgent requests will be processed as expediently as possible.

Paternity testing on prenatal samples is for “peace of mind” and is not admissible in the Family Law Court of Australia. The cost for the testing is \$550.00 (pricing reviewed June 2009), which costs significantly less than other clinics in Australia. For samples requiring courier delivery to Brisbane, please contact our Brisbane office for costing of that service. A collection fee will apply for some clinics of \$50 in the Brisbane area. In the Brisbane Metropolitan area samples can be collected by DNA QLD staff and for other clinics by a designated courier service.

Please contact DNA QLD to arrange a prenatal collection.

**For more Information please contact DNA Qld on 1300 172 837**