In February of this year, we sent out a comprehensive test update regarding changes in Cytogenetics testing offered at UVMMC. We would like to clarify the information around Products of Conception (POC) samples.

We are no longer offering Chromosomal Analysis on fetal demise tissue and it is our recommendation that these specimens be sampled and sent to GeneDx for chromosomal microarray testing. A GeneDx Prenatal Genetics Test Requisition Form must be completed and accompany your sample to GeneDx. *Samples should be forwarded from your laboratory to GeneDx directly.*

The exception to this is, if you are sending POC tissue or placenta to UVMMC for surgical pathology and also order chromosomal microarray testing, then we will be responsible for sending the sample to GeneDx.

We treat fetal demise tissue as human remains and, in our experience, these should be retained in your laboratory for a period of time after sampling. On many occasions, parents or caregivers ask for the remains to be returned for memorial services.

For questions regarding these changes, please reach out to UVMMC’s Laboratory Customer Service at (802) 847-5121.