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**PENICILLIN ALLERGY TEST, NO REACTION - REMOVE PENICILLIN ALLERGY LABEL JOHN SMITH.**

Dear Dr XXXXXXXXXX

Your patient John Smith underwent assessment of their penicillin allergy label during a recent hospital attendance.

After review of their history, and discussion of the risk and benefits, a supervised oral challenge was performed. A dose of 500mg of **amoxicillin / flucloxacillin** was administered on [**date**] with no evidence of a type 1 hypersensitivity response.

Based on this we can advise you that **there is no evidence to now support a “penicillin allergy” label.** We request that you remove this allergy label from your patient’s medical record *(see appendix)* and record details of the allergy test (antibiotic and date).  
  
This information should be shared with other healthcare providers within your Practice and also their regular community pharmacy and general dental practitioner if possible.

The risk of allergic reaction to penicillin in a de-labelled patient is the same as that of the general population and **they can therefore receive penicillin antibiotics**. This is important for management of any future infections as penicillins are often recommended as first line therapy due to their effectiveness and lower risk of driving antimicrobial resistance.

**Your patient has also been informed that they can safely take penicillin based antibiotics in future** and a copy of the information which they received after the test is included with this letter.

If you have any queries regarding the test process or outcome please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks and best wishes

Name and Grade

Enquiries contact:

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| 1. Instruction arrives into Docman 2. Open patient file 3. Double click on ‘Drug Allergies and Adverse Reactions’ 4. Right click on named drug 5. Click delete option in menu 6. Click delete button 7. Add note ‘deduction of penicillin allergy as per de-labelling process - see Docman XX/xx/XX’   *(Process takes approximately 1 minute)* |  | 1. Instruction arrives into Docman 2. Patient record opened 3. Click allergies 4. Click on named drug 5. Click on delete 6. Free Text record why it’s been deleted. 7. Save and close   *(Process takes approximately 2-3 minutes)* |

**Appendix - Guide to Removing Penicillin Allergy Labels from Electronic Systems in GP Practice**

When a communication has been received that a patient has successfully undergone penicillin allergy de-labelling process, please follow the steps detailed below depending on which electronic system is in use.

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