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Diabetes Services CUMH

Dear

You are advised to have an **Oral Glucose Tolerance Test (OGTT)** between **24-28 weeks gestation to screen for Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (GDM)**. If you have a history of GDM the screening test will be done at booking and at regular intervals thereafter.

This test may be performed in the Outpatients Department in CUMH by appointment only between 07.45am and 09.00am Monday to Friday and will take 2-3hrs to complete. The Rapilose solution will be provided. Ring 021- 4920757/ 021- 4920558/ 021-4920847 to book or book at clinic visit.

You may also have the test at your GP practice or Private rooms. Please bring the **Rapilose solution** with you as it will be not provided. This will need to be ordered from the pharmacy a few days prior to your test.

The OGTT test involves:

Eating your normal diet prior to the test.

Fasting from 10 pm the night before the test. (Nothing to eat or drink except sips of water).

A fasting blood sample is taken. (Plus routine FBC, HbA1c, TFTs, LFTs and Vitamin D)

You will then drink the **Rapilose Solution 300mls over 5-10 Minutes.**

You should sit quietly for the duration of the test, remain fasting and should not smoke.

A diagnosis of GDM is made when one or more values are **met or exceeded. HbA1c of 39mmol/L or an OGTT result of -**

5.2.2 Diagnosis of gestational diabetes

A diagnosis of gestational diabetes is made when one or more values are met or exceeded⁶⁰.

Diagnosis of GDM with 75g 0GTT60	
Fasting	5.1mmol/L
1 hour	10.0mmol/L
2 hour	8.5mmol/L

Your GP/ private rooms can refer a GDM diagnosis to the Diabetes Team in CUMH on 086 7872434. Please access the CUMH website <u>Diabetes and Pregnancy page</u> for up-todate information. Access to the Guidelines for the Management of Pre-Gestational and GDM from Pre- conception to the postnatal period is available at <u>www.hse.ie</u>