Your HIV Test was Negative.

You had an HIV test while you were in the emergency department. The test result was negative. This means that an HIV infection was not found in your body at the time of the test.

Please call the Emergency Department HIV Screening Program Office at <u>443-240-5521</u> if you have questions.

You can also access your test results from MyChart.

If you think you may have been exposed to HIV in the past three to six months, then you should be tested again in about three months. Also, if you have any behaviors that put you at increased risk for getting HIV (see brochure you were given) you should be retested at least once a year.

How can you keep from getting HIV?

- Use condoms (rubbers) when you have sex. Condoms work very well to prevent HIV if you use them the right way, every time you have sex.
- If you use drugs, use the needle exchange program to get clean needles, and don't share needles. Call (410) 637-1900 on Wednesdays to talk to needle exchange program staff, or ask your clinical provider for more information.
- If you want to get into a treatment program for your drug use- ask your provider or social worker and they will give you a list of local programs.
- If you are raped or sexually assaulted, seek medical help immediately. You can take medicine to reduce the risk of getting HIV.

Places that provide free HIV testing:

Druid Health District STD Clinic 1515 W. North Ave 410-396-0176 Metro: Penn-North Station

Eastern Health District STD Clinic 620 North Caroline St. 410-396-9410 Metro: Johns Hopkins Hospital

Women Accepting Responsibility 2300 Garrison Blvd, Suite 150 & 170 410-878-0357 Bon Secours Imani Programs 3100 Towanda Avenue 410-383-4030

Needle Exchange Program 2101 Garrison Blvd. 410-947-5700

Chase Brexton Health Services 1111 North Charles St. 410-837-2050, ext. 1307