

Pharmacogenomics (PGx) Talking Points



DO NOT MAKE ANY DECISIONS TO CHANGE YOUR MEDICATIONS WITHOUT TALKING TO YOUR DOCTOR(S)!

- ➔ Pharmacogenomic (PGx) results provide one piece of information your doctor can use to make prescribing decisions.
- ➔ A doctor may decide to put you on a medication (or keep you on a medication) that the PGx results indicate might not work as well as another medication. Conversely, PGx results may indicate a medication may work well but your doctor may not prescribe it for other reasons.
- ➔ PGx does not provide information about allergies to medications.
- ➔ Not all medications have known PGx results. There is still a great deal to be learned in this field.
- ➔ Most medications are not affected by our genes and therefore do not have PGx testing associated with them.
- ➔ The PGx results in this report have significant evidence supporting their use in medication choice and dosing.
- ➔ This test evaluates genetic changes that are known to impact medication choice and dosage. This test does not look for all types of changes such as those specifically associated with disease risk (cancer, Alzheimer's disease, etc), ancestry, etc.
- ➔ Keep a copy of these results and provide one to each of your doctors, now and in the future. Do not assume that medical practices and record systems will share this information.