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## How to talk to my healthcare professional (HCP) about genetic test results for my inherited retinal disease (IRD)

If you or a family member had genetic testing for an IRD, you may use these questions as a guide to find out what comes next.

- I took my test and got my results. What should I do now?
- Can you recommend a genetic counselor who specializes in IRDs to help me understand what the test results mean for me and my family?
- How might my genetic testing results affect or change my disease management plan?
- [If applicable] The testing did not identify a gene mutation. Should I get tested again? If so, when?
- Do you know of any research or clinical studies for my gene mutation?
- Would joining patient registries such as My Retina Tracker<sup>®</sup> be helpful?

### Tips for discussing genetic testing with your HCP

- Advances in genetic testing are fairly new and complex, so getting smart is important. When talking to your HCP about genetic testing, it might be helpful to take notes or have someone with you to remember specific information.
- Do not hesitate to ask your HCP to clarify information you don't understand about IRDs, the genetic nature of IRDs, or the genetic testing process.
- Some HCPs may not be familiar with genetic testing for IRDs. Directing them to [www.EyeWant2Know.com](http://www.EyeWant2Know.com) for context about your desire to pursue genetic testing may be helpful. Or visit [www.EyeWant2Know.com](http://www.EyeWant2Know.com) to find a provider with genetic testing experience.

What other questions do you have? Write them here or use this space to take notes.