### REtrospective recruitment patient invitation

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Dear

At [INSERT SITE NAME] we are working on a research study called GenOMICC. GenOMICC studies the genes (DNA) of people who become critically ill, or meet certain other criteria, to better understand why some people become sicker than others and, potentially, to discover new ways of treating patients.

[option 1 delete as appropriate]

When we treated you in [INSERT SITE NAME], you met all the eligibility criteria for GenOMICC and we are writing to ask if you might consider taking part.  Enclosed is our participant information sheet, along with a consent form. If you would like to take part in the study, please read the participant information sheet carefully and return the consent form using the pre-paid envelope. We will then contact you to make an appointment to obtain a sample of your DNA. This is usually a single blood sample at home/or in clinic\*delete as appropriate, or if a blood sample cannot be obtained, we can send a kit for home saliva sampling.

If you would prefer to speak to a research nurse in the first instance before you decide whether or not to take part, then please do not hesitate to contact us on the details noted below.

[or option 2 delete as appropriate]

When we treated your child, [insert child’s name] at [INSERT SITE NAME], [insert child’s name] met all the eligibility criteria for GenOMICC and we are writing to ask if you and [insert child’s name] might consider taking part. We would be grateful if you could read the enclosed parent or guardian information sheet and a participant information sheet for [inset child’s name] (If of an appropriate age). We also include a copy of the consent form so you can see what we will be asking you to agree to. A member of our research team will be in touch to discuss this with you.

If you would like more information, please contact [insert site contact on telephone number] who will be delighted to hear from you and more than happy to discuss GenOMICC . More information can also be found on the study website, <https://genomicc.org/participants/>

Kind regards

[insert name]

[insert role]

[Hospital]

[Contact details of research nurse]