



# You're on a long journey. Exome testing could be a shortcut. *It's time to talk to your doctor about exome testing.*

Searching for a diagnosis is exhausting. You just want answers—and probably a peaceful night's rest. Exome testing could help you get there.

## How does it work?

Compared to genetic tests that screen for a more limited set of genes, exome testing looks at over 20,000 genes all at once. The comprehensive view can help:

- ✓ increase the chances of finding a genetic cause in a shorter time
- ✓ potentially reveal more effective treatment options



Even if your child already received negative results from a more limited genetic test, exome testing could still provide answers. Research shows that nearly **1 in 4 patients** diagnosed via exome testing would not have received a diagnosis with a more limited genetic test.<sup>1</sup>

## Exome testing is often useful if your child is experiencing one or more of the following:

Failure to thrive or growth problems  
Decreased or increased muscle tone  
Birth defects  
Delay in developmental milestones  
Intellectual disability  
Autism spectrum disorder

Seizures/epilepsy  
Cerebral palsy  
Severe hearing or vision problems  
Severe muscle or movement differences  
Child seen by multiple specialists for complex care needs

## If you're ready for answers, it's time to talk to your doctor about exome testing.

When your doctor is ready to order testing, have them contact GeneDx at **Support@GeneDx.com** or **888-729-1206**. If you need support, we'll be here every step of the way.

1. Dillon OJ, Lunke S, Stark Z, et al. Exome sequencing has higher diagnostic yield compared to simulated disease-specific panels in children with suspected monogenic disorders. *Eur J Hum Genet.* 2018 May;26(5):644-651. doi: 10.1038/s41431-018-0099-1.