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Dear <Participant Given Name> <Participant Family Name>

### RESULTS NOTIFICATION

Thank you for taking part in the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program and returning your test kit.

**We are pleased to advise you that the result of your faecal occult blood test was NEGATIVE**

This means that no blood was found in your samples and no further action is needed for now. However, this does not mean that you do not have or can never develop bowel cancer, as some bowel cancers do not bleed or only bleed on and off. Tests like the one used in this Program detect up to 85% of bowel cancers. This is why it is important to screen every two years and talk to your doctor if you develop symptoms after getting a negative result. After getting a negative result, you will be invited to do the free test again when you are next eligible.

Your nominated doctor has been advised of your test result. If you did not nominate a doctor or medical clinic, please take this result to your next medical appointment so your record can be updated to include it.

The National Health and Medical Research Council guidelines recommend bowel screening every two years starting at age 50 years and continuing to age 74.

If you have any questions about the Program, please visit [www.cancerscreening.gov.au](http://www.cancerscreening.gov.au) or call the Program Information Line on **1800 118 868** during business hours.

Yours sincerely

Title <Given Name> <Family Name>  
Authorising Pathologist