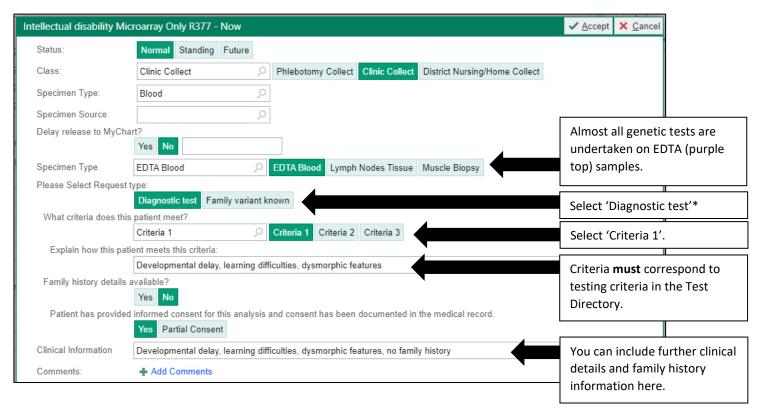# Worked example, how to request genetic tests on Epic

1) Search for the genetic test by R number
   a. Corresponding R numbers are found in the [National Genomic Test Directory](link), choose PDF document.

2) Complete the essential information below. **Test criteria must correspond to the Test Directory**, otherwise the test request will be rejected by the lab.

*Testing for a known familial variant/ predictive testing, is typically only undertaken by Genetic specialists. For these, please refer the patient to Clinical Genetics. Please note, this does not apply to cystic fibrosis carrier testing (R185).

Consent
- Typically patients will provide full consent. For a reminder of what this consent includes, hover over the circular i symbol.
- You may also wish to use the smart phrase in your encounter notes .GeneticsConsentRMDS
- If you want a paper copy of the consent for the patient to sign, you can use the [genetics test request form](link), or the [NHS England Record of Discussion Regarding Genomic Testing](link). This paper can be forwarded to the genetics lab with the samples, or you can upload a copy to the patient's Media folder.
- If the patient provides only partial consent, clearly outline the limits of the consent in the Comments box.

CMK 11/07/25