

New pre-natal test posts 99% accuracy in detecting disorders

Chennai: Despite foetal medicine emerging as an important field in medical care, one out of every 600 babies in India is born with Down Syndrome (DS) due to poor diagnosis at an early stage. DS is a genetic disorder that leads to mental retardation and abnormal physical growth of a child.

In an effort to make diagnosis better, MedGenome, a

clinical genomic testing company has introduced a non-invasive prenatal test that will provide 99% accuracy in screening babies for Trisomy, a chromosomal disorder caused by an additional chromosome. The Panorama testing method produces highly accurate risk results, with fewer false positives than other non-invasive tests.