How is CDC tracking Zika virus infection in pregnant women and infants?

CDC scientists use the US Zika Pregnancy and Infant Registry to collect information to help families affected by Zika virus infection.

A doctor decides that a pregnant woman should be tested for Zika virus.

A pregnant woman provides blood and urine samples to be tested for Zika virus.

The laboratory tests her samples for Zika virus and notifies her doctor who informs the woman of her results.

If she tests positive (meaning she has Zika virus),

The health department collects the baby’s medical information until its second birthday.

The health department sends the information securely to...

...her doctor’s office securely sends her medical information to the health department.

...CDC’s US Zika Pregnancy & Infant Registry.

CDC scientists analyze the information to...

- Report the number of women and babies affected by Zika virus in US states and territories
- Update clinical guidance for providing care to families affected by Zika virus
- Answer important questions about Zika virus