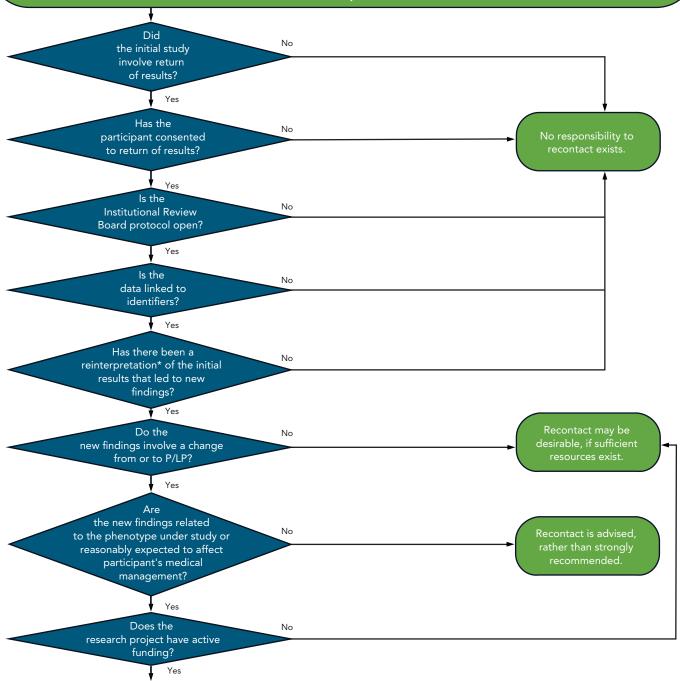
Recontacting Participants after Reinterpretation of Genetic and Genomic Research Results:

When should you consider recontacting?

ASHG recommends that research projects develop a plan for return (or not) of reinterpretations of results. As part of that plan, research participants should be alerted to the likelihood that interpretations of results may change over time and be given the opportunity to provide informed consent regarding the plan for return of results, including initial and reinterpreted results. ASHG strongly recommends that there is no responsibility for researchers to hunt or scan genetic or genomic data or literature for changes in variant interpretation.



ASHG strongly recommends that researchers attempt recontact to offer updated results within 6 months of identifying the reinterpreted variant. Attempts to recontact should be documented and limited to a "good faith effort" to reach the participant within the limits of existing constraints. Use similar individuals and communication methods for recontacting as for initial return of results.

*Reinterpretation refers to both reclassification of variants and reanalysis of original data

