We thank your mum, dad or carer for helping you read this information

What is a study and why is this study being done?

- A study is something you do when you want to learn about something or find something new.

Who is doing the study?

- The study is being done by doctors in hospitals who look after people like you with ulcerative colitis or Crohn’s disease. The study will help doctors decide which drugs to give people with IBD during the coronavirus pandemic.
- The study has been looked at by people to see if it is safe to do and this has been checked by people in this hospital.

Why have I been asked to help?

- You have been asked to help because you take a certain medicine to help you get better. You DO NOT have to help if you don’t want to.

What will happen if I want to help?

- A nurse will take a little bit of extra blood from you when you next come into hospital. If you change your mind, that is fine and you just need to tell someone.
Some other things you need to know.

- The doctor who is looking at your blood won’t know your name. Your blood will be sent by post to a hospital in Exeter. Your blood will be tested to see if you have had the coronavirus.
- Once the study has finished you will be able to see what happened.

Thank you