## 1 Supplementary method: Selection of training samples

In order to train the model and estimate hyperparameter values, geneCNV requires a set of presumed normal samples sequenced using the same pipeline and capture technology. For our validation experiments, we identified 38 volunteer samples that showed similar target coverage (and were sequenced with the same bait set) in training the model. We examined pairwise sample correlations for normalized coverage across *DMD* targets in these training samples, in addition to the eight CNV positive validation samples, and 13 samples sequenced with a different bait set.



**Figure S1: Pairwise sample correlation for normalized** *DMD* **target coverage** Coverage across *DMD* exons was computed for 60 samples sequenced with two distinct capture sets (one as described in Methods, one with an older version of the TSO panel). Individual target coverage was then normalized by total gene coverage and sample-to-sample correlations were calculated pairwise.

Figure S1 displays these correlations, demonstrating a relatively high degree of correlation among the training and testing samples, compared to the samples sequenced with a separate bait set. As expected, there is some observable variation even among samples using the same bait set, likely due to different batch-level effects. To estimate model parameters as generally as possible, we did not exclude any of these samples, though outliers with any pairwise correlations < 0.8 could be excluded from a training set. In addition, it should be noted that test samples with larger CNVs (such as sample 56, which contains a 29 exon duplication) will show

lower levels of overall correlation with other samples.