### **Newborn Screening Results**

The three screens are usually done within two days after your baby is born. You can receive the results of the Heart and Hearing Screenings right after the test is performed. The Blood Screening results take a little longer to get back; be sure to ask for them at your next well-baby visit.

☐ I understand the importance of the three screens and the impact they could have on my baby		
☐ I understand how and when I can obtain the results of my baby's three screens		
•	o find additional inf	formation about the
Heart Screening Date:	□Pass	☐ Follow-Up Needed
Hearing Screening Date:	_	☐Follow-Up Needed ☐Follow-Up Needed
Blood Screening  Date of baby's first well-baby visit:  Blood Screen Normal □ Follow-Up Needed		
Questions I have for my baby's Midwife or Doctor		

**Note:** No test is 100% accurate and some conditions can develop after testing is done. Make sure you contact your health care provider if you have any concerns about your baby's health, development or hearing.









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### **Blood Screening**

Newborn blood screening tests your baby for serious, hidden disorders. If these disorders are left untreated they can lead to: severe illness, developmental delays, brain damage, and sometimes even death.



Midwives or hospital staff collect just a few drops of blood from your baby's heel

between 24 and 48 hours after birth. The blood is then sent to the



Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene for testing. Families can get the test results at their first well-baby visit.

For more information:
<a href="https://www.slh.wisc.edu/clinical/newborn">www.slh.wisc.edu/clinical/newborn</a>
<a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/newbornscreening/index.htm">www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/newbornscreening/index.htm</a>



## **Hearing Screening**

Newborn hearing screening tests your baby's ability to hear. Early diagnosis and intervention of hearing impairment can positively impact your baby's ability to learn to communicate, bond with caregivers, and achieve early learning.



Hospitals and midwives use a small machine to gently test your baby's hearing soon after birth. Families can get their screening results at the time the test is done.



For more information: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/newbornscreening/index.htm



### **Heart Screening**

Newborn heart screening tests your baby's blood for low oxygen levels. Low oxygen levels may indicate a heart defect. When your baby is between 24 and 48 hours old, hospital staff or a midwife will place a small, painless sensor on your baby's hand



and foot to measure oxygen levels in your baby's blood. Families can get the test results at the time the test is done.

For more information: https://wisconsinshine.org/

### For More Information About Newborn Screening:

Know the results of your baby's newborn screening tests. It is important for parents to know the results of their baby's blood, hearing and heart screening. Record the results of these important tests on the spaces provided on the back of this flyer.

### **Wisconsin Newborn Screening Program**

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www.slh.wisc.edu/clinical/newborn www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/newbornscreening/index.htm www.geneticsinwisconsin.wisc.edu

### **Well Badger Resource Center**

New Home of the MCH/First Step Resource Line: 1-800-642-7837

https://wellbadger.org/