



Newborn Screening Bulletin 2016-3

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New parent video

NSO has a new video called "First Steps" featuring three families whose baby had a screen positive newborn screen. Parents speak about their experience, the follow-up tests their baby needed and the outcome of the tests.

The video helps parents understand the importance of screening, the benefit of further testing, as well as the knowledge and support parents are provided with in order for the process to go smoothly.

To watch the video: <https://youtu.be/unrr7ap-MZQ>

New look to the NSO website

We have revamped our website and added new features:

1) Requesting results form: <https://www.newbornscreening.on.ca/en/screening-results/request-screening-results>

- NOTE: for multiple outstanding reports you can still fax a list to NSO at 613-738-0853

2) Contact form: <https://www.newbornscreening.on.ca/en/page/contact-us>

- Yes, you can still email us directly at newbornscreening@cheo.on.ca

3) The Health Care Provider section is split into 2 based on the type of provider:

A) Sample submitters

B) Regional Treatment Centre

4) New service: NSO now offers diagnostic testing for all the diseases on the newborn screening panel

Check it out! www.newbornscreening.on.ca

Frequently asked questions about:

Completing the Newborn Screening Requisition

Q: Do we need to provide a first name if we check off M/F?

A: No. Writing the last name & checking off M or F is sufficient

Q: Can we use a hospital stickers for demographic information for baby and mother?

A: Yes. Hospital stickers may be used in lieu of completing the form by hand. Please ensure that any piece of information that is not on the sticker is completed by hand.

Newborn screening results in the Ontario Laboratories Information System (OLIS)

Most newborn screening results dating back to June 2015 are now available in OLIS. Exceptions to this include unsatisfactory results, and results for infants where the midwife/midwifery practice is the ordering provider. These continue to be paper-based only at this time. **Paper copies of all results will still be sent at this time.**

For hospitals, NBS results can be accessed & viewed in your hospital's OLIS viewer. These results may be able to be integrated into your Hospital Information System (HIS).

For midwifery practices, if you have an Electronic Medical Record (EMR) program, NBS results may be able to be integrated into your medical records (the primary specification for EMR vendors includes an OLIS viewer).

In OLIS, the results will display as "screen negative" or "screen positive". For screen positive results, additional disease-specific screening results are available but are blocked for specialist use. These results can be unblocked for your viewing with parental consent.

If you received a call from a community provider looking for NBS results on an infant in their care, you can tell them that they may be able to access the results in OLIS.