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Newborn blood spot screening for your baby

In the first week after birth, you will be offered a blood spot screening test for your baby.

Why should babies be screened?

Newborn blood spot screening identifies babies who may have rare but serious conditions.

Most babies who are screened will not have any of these conditions but, for the small numbers who do, early treatment can improve their health and prevent severe disability or even death.

In the first week after birth, all babies in Northern Ireland are now offered screening for six inherited metabolic disorders, congenital hypothyroidism, cystic fibrosis and sickle cell disorders. Most babies who are tested will not have any of these conditions, but for those who do, early diagnosis and treatment is very important.

Details

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8 page A5 booklet

Target group

Pregnant women

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