

Newborn Specimen Card Tips

MDH uses this space to stamp our own identification code. Please do not write, tape, or affix a label here.

An accurate time of birth is necessary to make sure the specimen is over 24 hours, and for interpreting some test results. Please use military time.

An accurate time of blood spot collection is necessary to make sure the specimen is over 24 hours, and for interpreting some test results. Please use military time.

Please completely fill out the "Risk Factors" section. List all birth defects, especially gastroschisis, Down Syndrome, and any abnormalities of the ear, because they are important for interpreting results.

Please fill out the submitter's name, phone number, and MDH submitter #. Without a submitter #, MDH does not know to whom to send results.

Please ask the parents what clinic or physician will be following up on baby after discharge. It is essential that MDH has accurate physician information in case of positive results. Incomplete or inaccurate information can lead to delayed diagnosis and follow-up.

Filling out the card accurately takes some time, but it allows MDH to provide the most accurate and timely screening results for every baby. Thanks for the extra care you take in providing the correct information.

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