

Immediate PP Neonate Tests/screens

Are you legally required to offer blood metabolic screening in your state/country?

We are allowed to offer metabolic screening, but not required. It is up to the client whether they choose to have this test.

Are you legally required to offer hearing screening in your state/country?

We are required to inform the parents of the necessity and importance of the hearing screening test, but we are not required to perform it. Some midwives do, and others don't. It depends on if they have the equipment and training. The parents have the option of seeing another care provider for the test.

How will you offer hearing screening if you are (research if your local government (state) department offers grants for screeners)?

Many midwives purchase their own equipment to perform hearing screening tests, others borrow equipment from another midwife, and some send their clients to a Pediatrician or Audiologist for the test. I did not find any grants for this in Alabama.

Are you legally required in your state/country to offer CCHD or pulse oximetry screening (research if there is a state department program for this)?

Yes, in Alabama licensed midwives are required to offer CCHD screening. They may offer pulse oximetry if they have the equipment. There is a state program for newborn screening, all the information can be found at this website: <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/newbornscreening/index.html>