



Ontario Newborn Screening Program
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Unsatisfactory Samples – Educational Resource

The Ontario Newborn Screening Program has noted a recent increase in the number of samples we receive that are unsatisfactory for testing.

To assist submitting institutions in obtaining satisfactory newborn screening samples we have developing the following Educational Resource. The attached document provides examples of satisfactory and unsatisfactory blood spots received by the Ontario Newborn Screening Program.

This Educational Resource is also posted on our website:

www.newbornscreening.on.ca.

Again, thank you for your cooperation and assistance in making the Ontario Newborn Screening Program the most effective and efficient that it can be.

Additional information about the Ontario Newborn Screening Program can be found at:
www.newbornscreening.on.ca

These bulletins are being circulated to keep you abreast of changes to the Ontario Newborn Screening program. Please share this information with any relevant personnel in your hospital / clinic. If there is someone who would like to be added to this list, contact:
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