



Ontario Newborn Screening Program

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New Sample Transportation System

The Ontario Newborn Screening Program (ONSP) will be changing our sample transportation system from Canada Post Xpresspost to Purolator *Purolaks*. For a review of the reasons for this change, please see the archived webcast of our Telehealth session given on October 6, 2009 at:

<http://mediasite.otn.ca/mediasite41/Viewer/?peid=0e7f94a853054d5d8ab3c75e1eeec8b1>

To aid in the rollout of our new system, please send the following information to newbornscreening@cheo.on.ca by **November 30, 2009**:

1. Your hospital/midwifery practice name
2. Contact person in charge of sample transport at your centre
 - a. Email address for contact person
 - b. Phone number for contact person
3. Average number of births in your centre per year

We plan to begin our rollout of the new system with high-volume centres. Our goal is to completely transition to Purolator by January 31, 2010.

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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