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Newborn Screening Ontario Celebrates 20th Anniversary

On April 4, 2026, Newborn Screening Ontario (NSO) proudly marks **20 years of service to newborns and families across Ontario**. This milestone offers an important opportunity to reflect on our collective achievements and to share our vision for the future of newborn screening.

Twenty Years of Impact

Over the past two decades, NSO has grown significantly in scope, capability, and reach. Together with our partners in hospitals, primary care, laboratories, and community health, we have achieved:

- **2.9 million babies screened** since 2006
- **Over 5,500 babies identified** with a **treatable rare disease**, enabling early intervention and improved outcomes
- Expansion from an initial **panel of 3 conditions** to **more than 30 conditions**, including the integration of **point-of-care testing** and **home-based screens**

These accomplishments reflect a shared commitment to ensuring that every baby in Ontario has access to timely, high-quality screening and care.

Anniversary Celebrations

As part of our 20th Anniversary year, NSO is undertaking a number of initiatives to mark this milestone, including:

- **Visual Identity Refresh**
We have updated our standard templates and refreshed our NSO logo. A special **20th Anniversary logo** has also been developed for use throughout 2026. NSO reports and letters will be released soon with the updated visual identity.
- **Sharing Family Stories**
Throughout the year, we will be promoting family stories on our website and through social media. These stories highlight the real-world impact of newborn screening and the difference it makes for families across the province. If you have stories to share, please reach out.



Thank you for your continued partnership and dedication to improving the health of Ontario's newborns. We look forward to celebrating this milestone year with you and continuing to advance newborn screening together.

