

# COLLECTION OF NEWBORN SCREENING BLOOD SAMPLES

## COMPLETION CHECK LIST

The collector is able to complete the newborn screening process using procedures suggested by CLSI and in the ADH Policy and Procedures.

Date of observation: \_\_\_\_\_

Collector's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Observer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete checklist as follows

+ = completed properly - = did not complete correctly

### COLLECTION OF SPECIMEN

### RESULTS

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1. Select site of heel stick		
2. Assemble equipment		
3. Wash hands & put on gloves		
4. Wipe puncture site with alcohol & allow to air dry		
5. Puncture heel with lancet, held vertically to site, using quick dart-like movement		
6. Wipe away first drop of blood with cotton ball or gauze		
7. Collect specimen according to proper procedure		
8. Apply pressure until bleeding stops, clean site & apply band-aid, if needed		
9. Air dry specimen on level, dry, non-absorbent surface for at least three hours, without stacking		
10. <u>Completely</u> fill out newborn screening form		
11. Submit in manila envelope, without folding specimen or enclosing in plastic & assure that delivery to state lab is within 48 hours.		

### SUBMIT TO:

Public Health Laboratory

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