

PARENT REFUSAL OF NEWBORN SCREENING

By signing this form, I understand that I am choosing NOT to have my child receive newborn screening.

Parent or guardian: Check the options that apply:

_____ I choose not to have Blood Spot screening for my child. I understand that this screening checks for more than 50 metabolic, hematologic, endocrinologic, or immunologic disorders. I understand that such screening is recommended by local, national, and international Public Health authorities.

_____ I choose not to have my infant's Hearing screening done.

_____ I choose not to have my infant receive a heart screening, which checks for critical congenital heart disorders.

I, the parent or guardian of the infant named below, understand that:

1. Choosing not to have my newborn screened for heritable and congenital disorders may result in delayed treatment if she or he has a disease that can be detected by newborn screening.
2. Delayed treatment for diseases detected by newborn screening may result in my child suffering permanent damage that may include intellectual disability, growth failure, hearing loss, or death.
3. I further understand that diseases detectable by newborn screening may cause permanent health problems before the onset of symptoms, which may not appear until several weeks or months after birth.

Name of child: _____ Birth date: _____

Hospital or Midwife: _____

Parent or guardian signature: _____

Parent or guardian printed name: _____

Relationship to child: _____ Date of Refusal: _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Send completed form to: Nemours Newborn Screening Program
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