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(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH A COORDINATED STATEWIDE SYSTEM FOR SCREENING ALL NEWBORN INFANTS IN THE STATE FOR CERTAIN HEREDITARY AND CONGENITAL DISORDERS ASSOCIATED WITH SEVERE PROBLEMS OF HEALTH OR DEVELOPMENT, EXCEPT WHEN THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE NEWBORN INFANT OBJECTS.

(B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 13-112 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY IS THE SOLE LABORATORY AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM TESTS ON SPECIMENS FROM NEWBORN INFANTS COLLECTED TO SCREEN FOR HEREDITARY AND CONGENITAL DISORDERS AS DETERMINED UNDER SUBSECTION (D)(2) OF THIS SECTION.

(C) THE SYSTEM FOR NEWBORN SCREENING SHALL INCLUDE:

(1) LABORATORY TESTING AND THE REPORTING OF TEST RESULTS; AND

(2) FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO FACILITATE THE RAPID IDENTIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF AN AFFECTED CHILD.

(D) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HEREDITARY AND CONGENITAL DISORDERS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(1) ESTABLISH PROTOCOLS FOR A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO OBTAIN AND DELIVER TEST SPECIMENS TO THE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY;

(2) DETERMINE THE SCREENING TESTS THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY IS REQUIRED TO PERFORM;

(3) MAINTAIN A COORDINATED STATEWIDE SYSTEM FOR NEWBORN SCREENING THAT CARRIES OUT THE PURPOSE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION THAT INCLUDES:

(I) COMMUNICATING THE RESULTS OF SCREENING TESTS TO THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OF THE ~~NEW-BORN~~ NEWBORN INFANT;

(II) LOCATING NEWBORN INFANTS WITH ABNORMAL TEST RESULTS;