

NEWBORN METABOLIC SCREENING COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

Filling out the Specimen Collection Form

It is important that information on the collection form be **accurate, complete and legible**.

Failure to provide ALL information may lead to the specimen being rejected, or test results being withheld until the missing information is provided to the laboratory.

Do not put labels or tape on the screening collection form or filter paper, it makes logging and tracking specimens in the lab very difficult. If the plies of the screening form become detached, reattach with a paper clip rather than adhesive tape.

Collection forms, envelopes and informational pamphlets are available, at no cost, by contacting the newborn screening lab, (515) 243-0141.