

NEWBORN SCREENING

Timing of Newborn Screening is Important

Did you know?

Certain conditions may go undetected if the blood sample is drawn before 24 hours of age.

Most babies are screened *after*

24 hours

of being born, usually while they are still in the hospital.



Ella was born with classic galactosemia, a rare genetic metabolic condition, that does not allow her body to fully break down the simple sugar, galactose.

“ Ella spent some time in the NICU and is now a healthy, happy baby. She doesn't have any long-term damage and her development is right on track! We are so thankful for newborn screening; for the New York state public health lab calling the hospital and her doctor with her results; for her pediatrician deciding not to release Ella from the hospital; and for all the amazing nurses and hospital staff that took care of our sweet girl. **Newborn screening was crucial in saving our Ella from a longer road to recovery or worse.** ”

- Loving parents of Ella



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