Screening Checklist

First Trimester
- First Trimester Ultrasound: 5 - 8 weeks
  - Determines: Viable pregnancy, heartbeat, gestational age, molar or ectopic pregnancies, abnormal gestation
- Prenatal Blood Work: 8 weeks
  - Determines: Blood type, Rh factor, glucose, iron and hemoglobin levels, rubella immunity, STDs, hepatitis, toxoplasmosis infection
- First Trimester Screening: 11 - 14 weeks
  - Assesses: Chance of Down Syndrome and Trisomy 18

Second Trimester
- Second Trimester Screening: 15 - 20 weeks
  - Assesses: Chance of Down Syndrome, Trisomy 18, and neural tube defects
- Second Trimester Ultrasound: 18 - 20 weeks
  - Determines: Structural abnormalities, amniotic fluid levels, well-being
- Glucose Screening: 24 - 28 weeks
  - Determines: Mother's risk of gestational diabetes

Third Trimester
- Strep B Test: 35 - 37 weeks
  - Determines: Presence of group B strep infection

Newborn Screenings
- Blood Test: 24-48 hours
  - Results:
- Hearing Screens: 24-48 hours
  - Results:
- Pulse Oximetry Test: 24-48 hours
  - Results:

My Contacts
- OB/GYN
  - Phone: ( )
- Pediatrician
  - Phone: ( )

Appointment Notes:

For more information about newborn screening, please visit www.babysfirsttest.org
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Blood Test
A small blood sample is taken from the baby’s heel, placed on a newborn screening card, and sent to the state laboratory for analysis.

Hearing Screens
Determines if the ear and auditory brain stem respond to sound. No response can indicate hearing loss.

Pulse Oximetry Test
A sensor measures oxygen in the blood and can detect Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CCHD).

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About Prenatal & Newborn Screening

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One Mother’s Perspective

“Newborn screening saved my son’s life. Although he appeared perfectly healthy and our family has no history of any disorders, his screening came back positive for a metabolic condition called MCADD. Thanks to the information we gained through his newborn screening, he is a perfectly healthy little boy and we know how to care for him to keep him that way.

I urge all new parents to learn about the life-saving potential of newborn screening and to thank the hospital staff who perform this very important test to ensure the health and safety of your newborn.”

- A Grateful Mother in Colorado