
NEWBORN AND DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING: STATE AND FEDERAL ACTION

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AGENDA



- Federal action
- State trends and examples
 - Newborn screening
 - Developmental screening
- Resources

FEDERAL ACTION

- H.R. 2507 (2019, *introduced*) – The Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2019 makes certain amendments and improvements to current screening and follow-up programs.
- H.R. 1058 (2019, *enacted*) - Amends the Public Health Service Act to enhance activities of the National Institutes of Health with respect to research on autism spectrum disorder; enhances programs relating to autism.



STATE ACTION AND EXAMPLES



- Newborn Screening
 - Addressing funding or coverage
 - Requiring screening of specific conditions
 - Increasing awareness for specific conditions
- Developmental Screening
 - Requiring specific providers to screen
 - Tying screening to quality measures linked to reimbursement

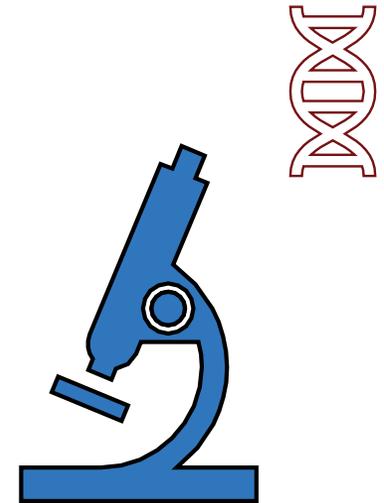
NEWBORN SCREENING

■ Coverage and funding

- [Colorado HB 1006](#) (2018, *enacted*) - Updates the current newborn screening program to require more timely newborn hearing screenings, authorizes the health department to assess a fee for newborn screening and necessary follow-up services, creates the newborn hearing screening cash fund for the purpose of covering the costs of the program.
- [District of Columbia B23-0416](#) (2020, *enacted*) - Requires health benefit plans to provide coverage for newborn screenings and authorizes certain civil fines and penalties. Clarifies insurance companies must cover the cost of newborn screening.

■ Adding conditions

- [Kentucky SB 60](#) (2020, *enacted*) – Adds spinal muscular atrophy to the list of heritable conditions tested at birth.
- [South Carolina HB 3036](#) (2019, *enacted*) - Adds Krabbe disease, Pompe disease and Hurler syndrome to state neonatal testing and establishes the Newborn Screening Advisory Committee.



NEWBORN SCREENING

■ Awareness

- [Delaware SCR 24](#) (2019, *enacted*) – Proclaims May 2019 "Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month" in Delaware.
- [Pennsylvania HR 480](#) (2019, *enacted*) – Designates the month of September 2019 as Krabbe Disease Awareness Month, a condition on the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel (RUSP).

■ Other actions

- [Indiana HB 1210](#) (2020, *enacted*) - Authorizes blood lead screening and newborn screening information to be entered into the state immunization data registry, so providers and the individual may access the health information.
- [Oregon HB 2563](#) (2019, *enacted*) - Establishes the Newborn Bloodspot Screening Advisory Board, provides for the Board's membership, duties, and powers.



DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING



- [California AB 1004](#) (2019, *enacted*) - Requires MediCal Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) screening services to include developmental screening for ages 0 – 3.
- Georgia [Medicaid](#) requires reporting of developmental screening rates as a [quality measure](#) and provides incentives for providers with high screening rates. Medicaid covers autism spectrum disorder [services](#).
- [Maine SP 524](#) (2019, *enacted*) – Resolves that the Department of Health and Human Services shall convene a stakeholder group to determine the capacity of the State to provide early and periodic screening, diagnostic and treatment services to children from birth to 8 years of age, the gaps in services and the costs of addressing those gaps.
- North Carolina [Medicaid/CHIP](#) has a special [demonstration project](#) to improve quality measures and community-based medical home models, including to identify children with developmental disorders.

DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING

■ Provider screening

- [Maryland HB 396](#) (2020, *introduced*) - Requires certain child care centers to offer early childhood screening for developmental disabilities for each child under a certain age in a certain manner.
- [New York SB 3741](#) (2019, *introduced*) - Directs the Commissioner of Health and Commissioner of the Office for People With Developmental Disabilities to jointly promulgate rules and regulations requiring pediatric health care providers to screen children for autism spectrum disorders.

■ Treatment

- [Oklahoma SB 1034](#) (2019, *introduced*) – Requires insurance coverage for screening, diagnosis, and treatment of individuals less than 18 years of age with autism.
- [Michigan SB 552](#) (2019, *introduced*) – Restores funding for a pilot program to train providers on models of intervention for autism.



Resources

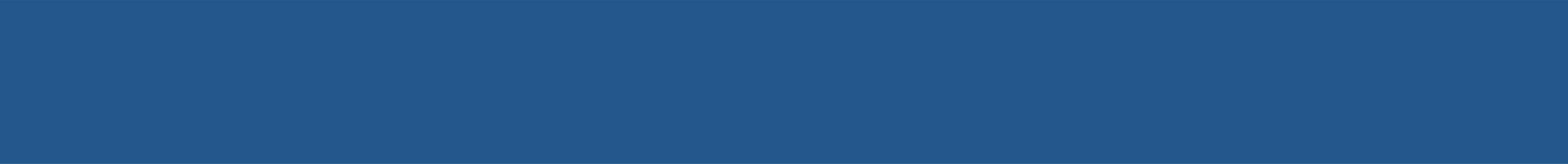
NCSL Resources

- NCSL Legislative Database, [Maternal and Child Health Database](#)
- NCSL LegisBrief, [State Newborn Health Screening Policies](#)

Additional Resources

- [Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children](#), Health Resources and Services Administration
- [State Profiles](#), Association of Public Health Laboratories
- [State Profiles](#), Baby's First Test
- [Developmental Screening Resource Center](#), American Academy of Pediatrics
- [Medicaid Developmental Screening Policies by State](#), National Academy for State Health Policy





Thank you!

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