



State of Louisiana
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**LOUISIANA NEWBORN SCREENING PANEL UPDATE:
THE ADDITION OF SCREENINGS TO THE LOUISIANA NEWBORN SCREENING
PANEL IS LIVE**

Effective January 20, 2022, the Louisiana Department of Health has added Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), Mucopolysaccharidosis Type I (MPS I), and Glycogen Storage Diseases Type II (Pompe Disease) to the list of genetic conditions infants are tested for at birth.

The addition of SMA, MPS I and Pompe brings the number of conditions Louisiana screens for to 33 of the 35 conditions on the [HRSA Recommended Uniform Screening Panel](#). A list of all conditions on the Louisiana panel can be found [here](#). More information on the new conditions can be found on the Baby's First Test [website](#).

The OPH Laboratory is temporarily outsourcing screening of SMA, MPS I, and Pompe to the Florida Bureau of Public Health State Lab until in-house testing methods are completed. All infants born since January 1, 2022 will have their specimens sent to Florida. An updated report with the results of these screens can be located on the Secure Remote Viewer Website.

The cost of newborn screening has not changed, and no additional blood is needed. Continue to collect 4 filled blood spots.

For questions or comments, please contact the Newborn Screening Program at 504-568-8254