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Newborn Bloodspot Screening Program

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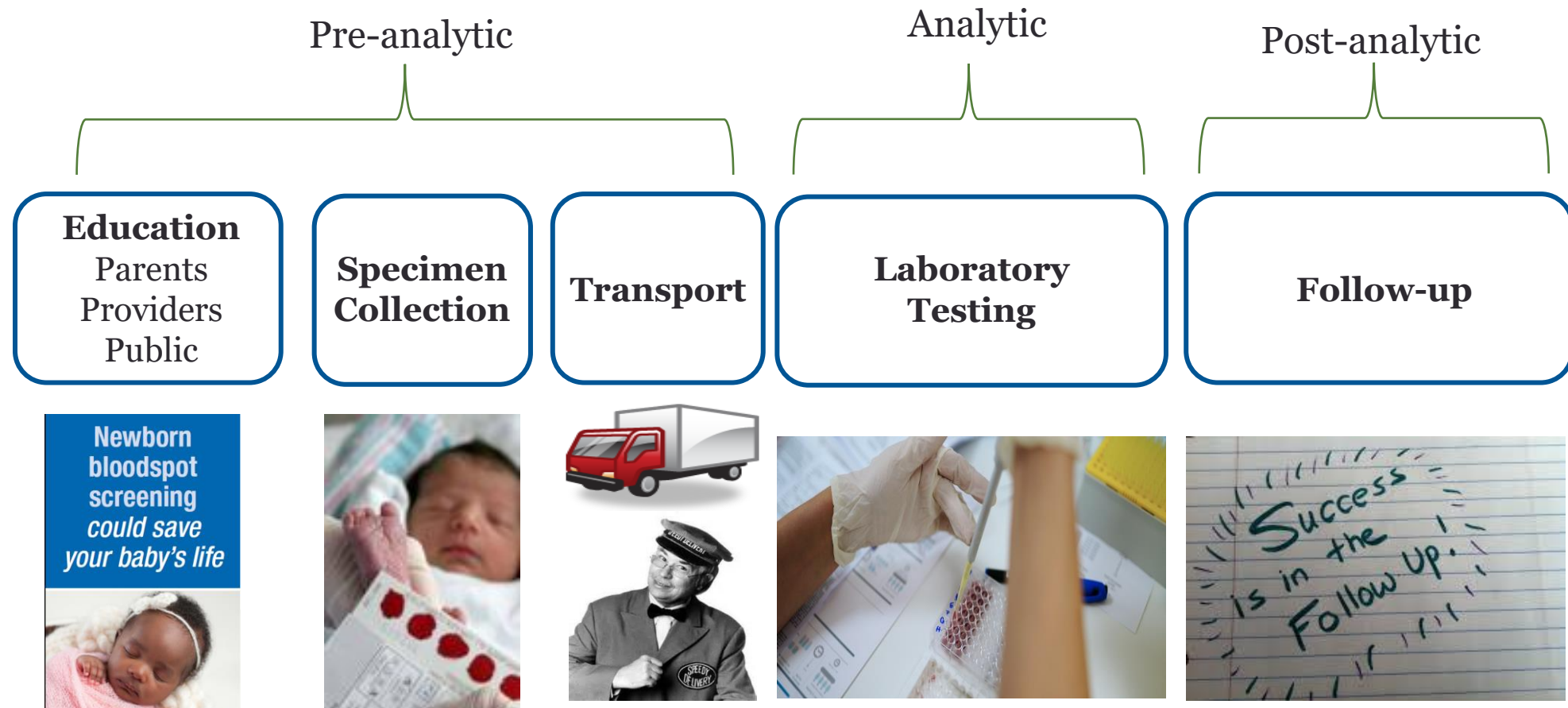
What is Newborn Bloodspot Screening?

Newborn screening is a **state public health program** that identifies infants with **treatable** disorders, which may otherwise go **unrecognized**, to avoid or prevent **adverse outcomes**, including death.

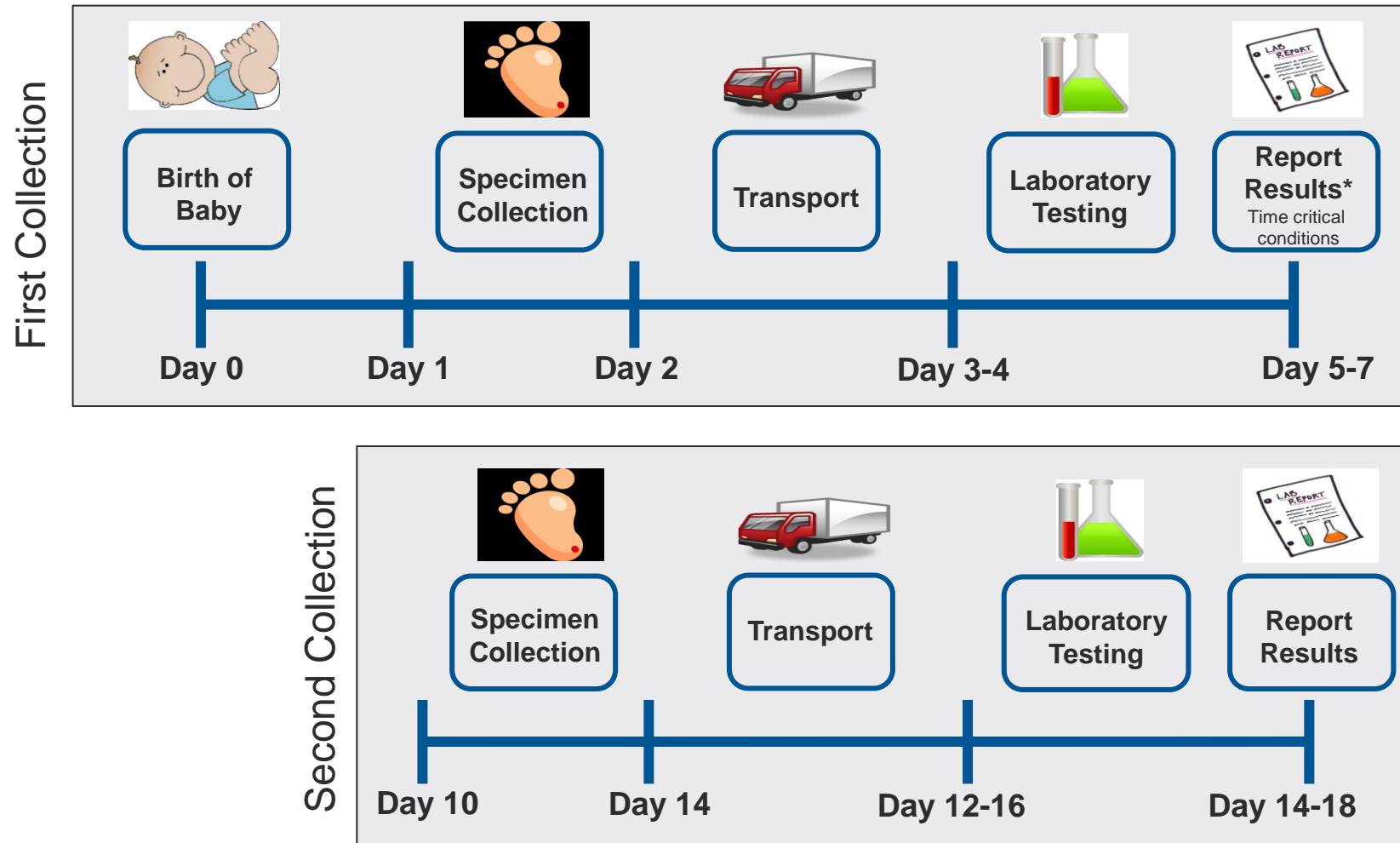


Baby Maisie

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Newborn Bloodspot Screening Timeline



History of Conditions Added to the Oregon Newborn Screening Panel

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| 1963 | Oregon starts screening program for Phenylketonuria, one of the first in nation |
| 1975 | Screening for Congenital Hypothyroidism |
| 1985 | Screening for Biotinidase Deficiency |
| 1995 | Screening for Hemoglobinopathies |
| 2002 | Screening for amino acid disorders, organic acidemias, fatty acid oxidation defects |
| 2003 | Screening for Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia |
| 2006 | Screening for Cystic Fibrosis |
| 2014 | Screening for SCID |
| 2018 | Screening for Pompe, MPSI, Gaucher, Fabry |
| 2022 | Screening for SMA |
| 2023 | Screening for XALD |

Presently, Oregon Screens for 45 conditions that require immediate treatment to prevent adverse outcomes.

Cornerstones of the NBS Program

- **Access to screening**
 - Matching of NBS record to vital statistics/birth record Ensure all newborns have access to screening regardless of parents/guardian's ability to pay
- **Timeliness of screening**
 - Provide courier service to rural/frontier hospitals to ensure the timely delivery of samples to the laboratory
- **Education and outreach to public, providers, & parents**
 - NBS brochure in 11 languages and website enhancements
- **Access to clinical care and treatment**
 - Partner with OHSU and CCO to assist families whose child has screened positive for a condition
- **Expansions of NBS panel of conditions**
 - Advisory board criteria for condition review to include family and advocacy groups

Advisory Board & Screening Panel

- 2019 Representative McLain sponsored legislation to form the advisory board
- 2022 Screening for Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) was implemented at the recommendation of the advisory board
- 2023 Screening for X-linked Adrenal Leukodystrophy (XALD) was implemented at the recommendation of the advisory board

One time general funds were provided to start-up SMA

Fee increase was ratified in 2022, covered ongoing screening for SMA and XALD

Advisory board recommended addition of Mucopolysaccharidosis Type II

Advisory board recommended addition of GAMT deficiency

At this time, there is no date set for implementation of these two new conditions

- 2024 Advisory board will review Krabbe disease in December for inclusion on the panel
- Request for the advisory board to consider Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy
- Request for the advisory board to consider cytomegalovirus (CMV) screening

Thank you

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