

Newborn Screening and the Obstetrician

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1. According to the authors, the ideal disorder for genetic screening is one in which:

- A. Intervention prevents later disabilities for infants who may appear normal at birth
- B. An abnormality is readily confirmed at birth
- C. In utero intervention prevents the disorder
- D. The invariable result is neonatal or infant death allowing for early termination
- E. There is a greater than 1 in 300 chance of finding the disease

2. The first newborn screening test to be widely accepted was:

- A. Phenylketonuria (PKU)
- B. Group B *streptococcus*
- C. Herpes simplex virus (HSV)
- D. Rh-negative blood type
- E. Type II diabetes mellitus

3. During this century, in many states newborn screening has been expanded to include:

- A. Fungal diseases
- B. Aneuploidy
- C. Chromosomal breaks
- D. Hearing disorders
- E. Vision disorders

4. Most newborn screening is performed on:

- A. Urine
- B. Frozen serum
- C. Cord blood
- D. Stool samples
- E. Filter paper blood samples

5. The first step in the follow-up of an initial positive newborn screening test should be:

- A. Genetic counseling
- B. Referral to a specialist
- C. Diagnostic testing
- D. Long-term care planning
- E. Maternal testing

6. Exceptions to the usual protocol for newborn blood screening in the first 24 hours of life include:
- A. Prematurity
 - B. Male circumcision
 - C. Breastfeeding
 - D. National holidays
 - E. Cesarean delivery
7. Fatty acid disorders, such as medium chain acyl-coA dehydrogenase deficiency (MCADD), generally manifest symptoms when children:
- A. Reach puberty
 - B. Are fasting or have increased energy demands
 - C. Ingest fatty foods
 - D. Are fed commercial milk formula
 - E. Enter school
8. The most common inherited life-shortening disease of childhood onset in the United States is:
- A. Sickle cell anemia
 - B. Cystic fibrosis
 - C. Phenylketonuria (PKU)
 - D. Duchenne muscular dystrophy
 - E. Fragile X syndrome
9. The definitive confirmatory test for cystic fibrosis is:
- A. Immunoreactive trypsinogen concentration
 - B. Single mutation analysis
 - C. Serum sodium-to-chloride ratio
 - D. A sweat chloride test
 - E. White cell activation test

10. Though yet to be implemented, recommended newborn screening for critical congenital heart disease is based upon:

- A. Three-dimensional ultrasonography
- B. Congenital anemia
- C. Pulse oximetry
- D. Enzyme defect detection
- E. Metabolite accumulation

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