

# NEWBORN SCREENING

*Timing of Newborn Screening is Important*

*Did you know?*

Certain conditions may go undetected if the blood sample is drawn before 24 hours of age.

Most babies are screened *after*

**24 hours**

of being born, usually while they are still in the hospital.



*Ella was born with classic galactosemia, a rare genetic metabolic condition, that does not allow her body to fully break down the simple sugar, galactose.*

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Ella spent some time in the NICU and is now a healthy, happy baby. She doesn't have any long-term damage and her development is right on track! We are so thankful for newborn screening; for the New York state public health lab calling the hospital and her doctor with her results; for her pediatrician deciding not to release Ella from the hospital; and for all the amazing nurses and hospital staff that took care of our sweet girl. **Newborn screening was crucial in saving our Ella from a longer road to recovery or worse.**”

*- Loving parents of Ella*



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