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ATTENTION ALL PROVIDERS

The Alabama Department of Public Health Bureau of Clinical Laboratories Newborn Screening Program has begun using a new "B" form for dried blood spot specimen collection.

Please note the following:

- The color of the form's header has changed from yellow to light green.
- The "B" forms with the yellow header are still valid through 08/31/2027 and should be used before switching to the new (light green header) forms.
- The older forms have 5 collection spots, but the new forms have 7 spots.
 - The number of spots was increased due to the projected increase in screened disorders.
- Please follow the same collection guidelines and fill all spots with a quality blood sample.

Contact the Newborn Screening Testing Division at 334-290-3097
for questions regarding this bulletin.

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