

2026 ADPH Newborn Screening Conference

Friday, October 2, 2026

AGENDA

7:15 am – 8:15 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast / Exhibits
8:15 am – 8:30 am	Welcome and Introductions/Housekeeping <i>Wes Stubblefield, M.D., District Medical Officer, Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) and Rachael Montgomery, B.S.N., R.N., ADPH Newborn Screening (NBS) Follow-up Manager</i>
8:30 am – 9:15 am	<i>Birth Defects</i> <i>Russell Kirby, Ph.D., M.S., F.A.C.E.</i> <i>University of South Florida</i> <i>Distinguished University Professor and Marrell Endowed Chair</i> (.75 hr)
9:15 am – 10:15 am	Krabbe Disease and Other Lysosomal Storage Disorders <i>Brian Kirmse, M.D., Assistant Professor</i> <i>Department of Genetics, University of Alabama at Birmingham</i> <i>Board-certified pediatrician and clinical geneticist</i> (1.0 hr)
10:15 am – 10:45 am	Break / Exhibits
10:45 am – 11:45 am	Congenital Cytomegalovirus (cCMV) Session <i>Karen Fowler, Ph.D., Professor</i> <i>Department of Pediatrics, University of Alabama at Birmingham</i> (1.0 hr)
11:45 am – 12:45 pm	Working Lunch (<i>Boxed Lunch Provided</i>) Beginning at 12:15 pm - Training for Specimen Collection (0.5 hr)
12:45 pm – 2:15 pm	Parent Panel (<i>5 parents; 10-15 minutes each</i>) (1.5 hr)
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Break / Exhibits
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Sickle Cell Session / Panel Discussion <i>Dr. Gerald Alfred and Ardie Pack-Mabien, PhD, FNP-BC</i> <i>Clinical Nurse Practitioner/Administrative Director</i> <i>University of South Alabama</i> (1.0 hr)
3:30 pm – 4:15 pm	Newborn Hearing Screening 1-3-6 Benchmarks <i>Mary Ellen Whigham, A.S.N., R.N., ADPH Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Coordinator and Dr. Amy Williamson, Au.D., CCC-A, Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services</i> (0.75 hr)
4:15 pm – 4:30 pm	Closing Remarks / Evaluation / Door Prizes

***6.5 total contact hours for CEUS**