Newborn screening: No longer your mama's PKU test

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ABSTRACT: Newborn screening has been occurring in Oregon for over 50 years and the program now screens for over 50 disorders; however the incorrect term "PKU test" is used by many to describe this important screening test. Learning about the program and the many different screened disorders will make professionals that work with newborn families more knowledgeable. New parents need a network of individuals that know about routine newborn care with newborn screening being an important aspect of that care.

OBJECTIVE(S):

- Describe the present state of the Oregon Newborn Screening Program.
- Explain the reason that the correct terminology is not the "PKU test."
- List how many disorders in what specialties are identified on the NBS panel.

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