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August 24, 2005

Mr. Craig Wieber  
Executive Budget Officer  
Minnesota Department of Finance  
658 Cedar St., suite 400  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: Proposed Minnesota Department of Health Rule Regarding the Certification of Environmental Laboratories; Governor's tracking number AR047

Dear Mr. Wieber:

The Minnesota Statutes require that an agency engaged in rulemaking consult with the Commissioner of Finance "to help evaluate the fiscal impact and fiscal benefits of the proposed rule on units of local government." Minn. Stat. § 14.131 (2004).

Accordingly, I am enclosing for your review copies of the following documents on a proposed rule governing the Certification of Environmental Laboratories:

1. the 06/09/2005 Revisor's draft of the proposed rule; and
2. the 08/24/2005 draft of the SONAR.

If you or other representatives of the Commissioner of Finance have any questions about the proposed rule, please feel free to call me at 612-676-5674. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan R. Wyatt". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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**Patricia.Segal Freeman - Re: finance requirement**

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**From:** David Orren  
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**Date:** 12/23/2005 2:54:15 PM  
**Subject:** Re: finance requirement  
**CC:** Margaret Kelly

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Patti,

At the time you send your rules to the Commissioner for her review prior to the rules going to the Gov's Office for their approval, you should copy Margaret Kelly, John Stieger, and Lynda Boudreau. Copying these people covers financial, public relations, and political issues. You don't have to wait for their approval to send to the Commissioner or, after the Commissioner's OK, to the Governor.

This is in one of MDH's internal policies, but I can't tell you which one because the MDH intranet is down right now. This is also a policy that Pat Winget will review (with whatever help she wants from me) as she familiarizes herself with the Rules Coordinator role.

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>>> Patricia.Segal Freeman 12/23/05 9:26 AM >>>

As you know, in the Minnesota Rule making statute it says we have to contact our EBO to do a fiscal analysis of the bill. Do you know if we have to go through Margaret Kelly to do this or can I contact the EBO directly? What have other rule writers in the agency done? Thanks.

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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** July 25, 1996

**TO:** Newborn Nursery Patient Educators

**FROM:** Kristin L. Peterson, M.S., C.G.C. *KLP*  
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**SUBJECT:** Translations of "Testing Your Baby for Hidden Rare Diseases" Brochure

We are pleased to announce that the newborn screening educational brochure for new parents has been translated from English into several additional languages. The 1994 edition of "Testing Your Baby for Hidden Rare Diseases" is now available in Hmong, Khmer, Laotian, Russian, Spanish and Vietnamese. Camera-ready copies of all seven translations of the newborn screening brochure are enclosed.

As this brochure is intended for use by families from various cultural traditions, we will be very interested in hearing your or your clients' comments on the content and art that has been used. Your input will help us assure that we are providing information in the most effective manner possible.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions or comments about the new brochure or about the Newborn Screening Program.

KLP:klp

Enclosures

A few days after your baby is born he/she will be tested for five diseases.

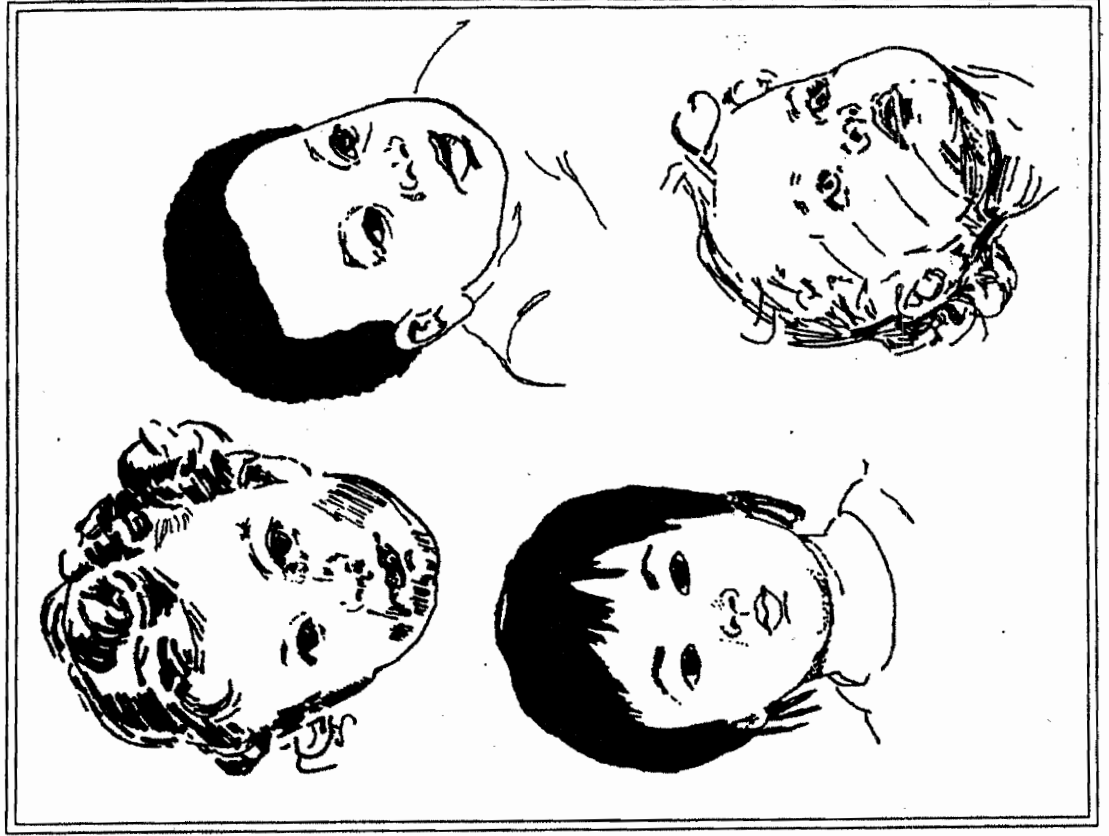
These tests are important. They can help prevent serious illness or even death.



# Testing Your Baby

for

# Hidden Rare Diseases



For more information call or write:

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## WHY YOUR BABY SHOULD BE TESTED

Some babies who seem healthy at birth may have a hidden rare disease. If a disease is found and treated early serious health problems may be prevented.

State rules say that all babies must be tested for five rare diseases. The tests are done on a few drops of blood taken from your baby's heel. This is done on all babies, usually before they go home from the hospital.

If these tests or your baby's health show the need for more tests, you will be told by your doctor or the hospital.

## A SPECIAL NOTE ON PKU TESTING

Sometimes babies go home from the hospital before they are 24 hours old. If this is true for your baby, the test for PKU must be done again. The hospital will tell you if your baby needs to have this test done again.

If this happens, it is your responsibility to take your baby back for testing before he or she is two weeks old. This test can be done at the hospital or at your doctor's office or clinic.

What are the hidden or rare diseases?	How often do they happen?	If they are not treated what happens?	Are they inherited?	How are they treated?
<b>PHENYLKETONURIA (PKU)</b> (FEE-ni-KEY-ton-YOUR-ee-ah) is caused by the body not digesting protein normally.	One baby in every 12,000 born	Mental retardation	Yes	By feeding the baby a special diet.
<b>GALACTOSEMIA</b> (Gal-ak-toe-SEE-me-ah) is caused by the body not digesting milk sugar normally.	One baby in every 50,000 born.	Mental retardation Eye problems (cataracts) Liver damage, Death	Yes	By feeding the baby a special diet.
<b>HYPOTHYROIDISM</b> (High-po-THIGH-roid-ism) has many causes but is most often a defect in the development of the thyroid gland.	One baby in every 4,000 born.	Mental retardation Very small body size	Not usually	Medicine- thyroid hormone pills
<b>HEMOGLOBINOPATHY</b> (Hee-mo-GLO-bin-OP-a-thee) is caused by changes in the red blood cells. There are several types. Sickle cell disease is the most common type.	One African-American baby in every 500 born has sickle cell disease. Babies of other races have less of this disease.	Sickle cell disease may cause anemia, pain and sometimes death	Yes	Medicine- penicillin for sickle cell disease.
<b>ADRENAL HYPERPLASIA</b> (Ad-REE-Nal High-per-PLAY-sha) is caused by a defect in the adrenal gland.	One baby in every 15,000 born.	Abnormal sexual development Hormone problems, Death	Yes	Medicine- hormone pills