

# Bristol Newborn Blood Spot Screening Laboratory Visits

The Bristol Newborn Blood Spot Screening Laboratory is offering healthcare professionals, involved in the collection of blood spots, the opportunity to visit the Bristol Newborn Blood Spot Screening Laboratory at North Bristol NHS Trust, Southmead Hospital in Bristol.

A half day training session will include the following:

- An overview of the newborn blood spot screening programme
- A tour of the laboratory and review of the sample pathway and analytical processes
- A focus on blood spot quality with guidance on why blood spot quality matters, the principal reasons why repeat samples are requested and how to take good quality blood spot samples

Further information on the National Blood Spot Screening Programme is available from:

<https://www.gov.uk/topic/population-screening-programmes/newborn-blood-spot>

and [www.nbt.nhs.uk/newbornscreening](http://www.nbt.nhs.uk/newbornscreening)

## Dates:

- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2020
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021

For more information and to book a place

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The image shows a 'NEWBORN SCREENING BLOOD SPOT TEST' form. It includes fields for Baby's NHS no, Surname, Fornames, Home address, Postcode, Sex (M/F), Gestation, Birth weight (g), Date of sample, Baby's DOB, and various screening questions like 'Is this a repeat?', 'Has baby had a blood transfusion?', and 'Is the baby in hospital?'. There are checkboxes for 'Yes' and 'No' for several questions. A large 'SAMPLE' watermark is visible across the bottom right. To the right of the form is a barcode with the number 1524048335 and an expiry date of May-2021.