

Readoption Review

Examination of Infants for Disorders 410 IAC 3-3

IC 4-22-2.5-3.1(c) requires an agency to conduct a review to consider whether there are alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the rule that are less costly or less intrusive, or that would minimize the economic impact of the proposed rule on small business.

Description of Rule:

Indiana law requires all infants in Indiana to receive certain screening after birth unless the parents have a religious objection to the tests. This rule establishes the processes to providers must follow for the screenings and the ISDH's responsibilities for follow-up of infants with positive screens for disease.

Readoption Analysis:

1) Is there a continued need for this rule? Please explain.

Yes, this rule is necessary for the implementation of the state's required newborn screening program to set provider responsibilities for screening and establish ISDH's obligations for its follow-up program.

2) What is the nature of any complaints or comments received from the public, including small business, concerning the rule or the implementation of the rule by the agency?

Some midwiferies, small birthing facilities and, occasionally, individuals complain that the testing fee is too high.

3) Examine the complexity of the rule, including difficulties encountered by the agency in administering the rule and small businesses in complying with the rule.

The rule does not include current use of technology and mandates several duplicative processes. These include the maintenance of a newborn screening log outside of the medical records, reporting monthly on information we receive daily, and mandated use of the telephone for notification of positive screens and referrals.

4) To what extent does the rule overlap, duplicate, or conflict with other federal, state, or local laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances?

The Newborn Screening program pursues objectives that operate alongside of the Indiana Birth Defects and Problems Registry as well as the Children with Special Health Care Needs program, but the rules do not overlap, duplicate, or conflict with each other.

5) **When was the last time the rule was reviewed under this section or otherwise evaluated by the agency, and the degree to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed in the area affected by this rule since that time?**

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