

Newborn Procedures

Routine Screenings

U1

Baby's first examination (crying, breathing, heartbeat). Can usually be done on the parent's chest immediately after birth.

U2

Hospital discharge examination (or when baby is 3 days old) with the pediatrician.

U3

Full examination with family pediatrician around the 5th week.

- Measurements and Vitamin K (U1, U2, U3)
- Hearing test
- Heart defect screening (Pulse Oximetry - POX)
- Umbilical cord blood test if potential amniotic infection is suspected.

Jaundice

The noninvasive measurement tool isn't exact so they may take a blood sample if it's on the edge, with stricter requirements for preterm babies. Jaundice is treated with light therapy.

Metabolic Screening

Done at 36-72 hours of life by pricking the baby's heel. The screening can include up to 22 diseases.

Ultrasounds

For hips or kidneys if conditions run in the family or anything abnormal was identified during the prenatal or U2 screenings.

Blood Sugar Screening

If mother has diabetes or the baby is very big or preterm.

Hyperthyroidism & Autoimmune Diseases

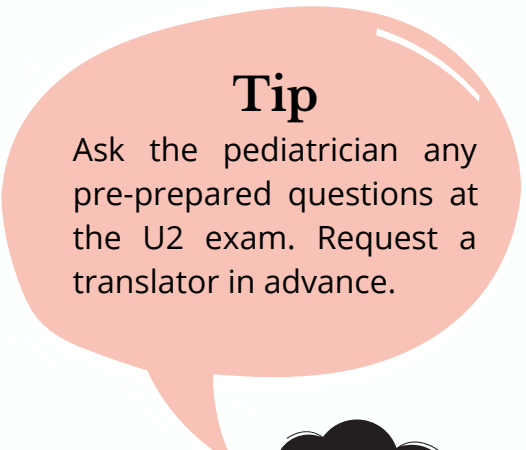
Antibodies can pass through the placenta so the baby may need some additional screenings and care.

Hepatitis B, HIV, and STIs

Baby may need additional vaccinations or treatment immediately after birth.

Medication During Pregnancy

Including methadone, opiate pain medications, or other medications/drugs. Monitoring symptoms and treatment may be necessary.



Tip

Ask the pediatrician any pre-prepared questions at the U2 exam. Request a translator in advance.



Family History