



## Newborn Screening Bulletin 2021-6

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### “OLIS October”—Promoting the Use of OLIS to Access Newborn Screening Results

Over the coming weeks, NSO will send a series of bulletins about using the Ontario Laboratories Information System (OLIS) to access newborn screening results.

The Ontario Laboratories Information System (OLIS) is an information repository that gives authorized health care providers access to lab test orders and results from hospitals, community labs and public health labs. More information about OLIS can be found [here](#).

***Newborn screening results have been accessible in OLIS since February 1, 2021.***

### Fast Facts!

- You can access newborn screening results **faster** through OLIS than by submitting a report request to NSO. Newborn screening results are available in OLIS **immediately** after they are finalized.
- You can **download** the newborn screening results report directly from OLIS as a **PDF file**.
- Your organization **may already have OLIS access** through a clinical viewer (Connecting Ontario or Clinical Connect) or Electronic Medical Record.
- Using OLIS to access newborn screening results is **more efficient** for everyone, and **saves paper**.

### World’s Shortest Survey!

We have created a very short survey (maybe not the “world’s shortest”, but it is brief, we promise!) to better understand if and how OLIS is being used by birth hospitals and midwifery practice groups to access newborn screening results. Your responses will help us learn the ‘lay of the land’ and prioritize areas for possible quality improvement.

The survey can be accessed here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BJ6FJHP>. Your feedback is greatly appreciated.

### Next Up...

Stay tuned for a series of bulletins about OLIS, featuring topics such as a **“how to” guide for accessing your clinical viewer, and instructional tools for using OLIS**. This promotional education is intended to highlight the benefits of using OLIS to access newborn screening results, and provide you with all the tools required to get started with OLIS and/or optimize its use for this purpose.

