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Minnesota Finally Obeying Law on Baby DNA

Last week, the Minnesota Department of Health said they will begin destroying newborn bloodspots 72 days after newborn screening. They are finally going to begin following the law. Like many States, they used to keep the baby's DNA forever. This amazing turn-around results from 9 families who sued and won in Minnesota's Supreme Court. No longer can government store and use Baby DNA for research.

But the State is not happy. The Health Commissioner said, "For the first time in almost 20 years, we're going to begin destroying a valuable public health resource." But that's not true. The newborn citizens' DNA is not a public health resource. It's the private property of each newborn citizen.

["Minnesota Department of Health to begin destroying newborn blood spots in order to comply with recent Minnesota Supreme Court ruling."](#) press release, Minnesota Department of Health, January 31, 2012.

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