Newborn Screening or Newborn Sequencing

We’re at the end of newborn screening awareness month. What is the future of this government test? Although many parents are unaware of the test even being done, most parents if asked logically want their child tested as a protection. Although it’s usually done without parent consent, today’s newborns are tested for a limited number of treatable conditions.

However, Francis Collins, Director of the National Institutes of Health, once said: “Whether you like it or not, a complete sequencing of newborns is not far away.” How will parents feel if newborn screening creates a complete genetic profile of their child in a government database? At that point, parent consent will be an absolutely necessity.

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