Referral Protocol for Newborns with Positive CCHD Screens

- **Infants with a positive CCHD screen must be evaluated promptly** by their medical provider for causes of hypoxia. Common causes include sepsis, pneumonia, pneumothorax, persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn, respiratory distress syndrome, meconium aspiration syndrome, hypoglycemia, and congenital heart disease.
- **If no cause is identified, infant must be evaluated promptly for CCHD by echocardiogram.**
- **See recommended protocol below,** knowing these recommendations do not replace clinical judgment.

### Positive Screen during Newborn Hospitalization

#### Attending Provider Evaluates for Causes of Hypoxia

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<td>- Treat appropriately, re-screen when well</td>
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<td>No cause identified</td>
<td>Arrange transport for cardiology evaluation</td>
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### Referral Center

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| University of Vermont Children’s Hospital (VT) | • Provider evaluation  
• Contact neonatologist for NICU transfer | Provider Access Service (PAS):  
1-800-639-2480  
802-847-2700 (local) |
| Albany Medical Center (NY) | • Provider evaluation  
• Contact neonatologist for NICU transfer | NICU:  
1-800-456-3245 |
| Baystate Medical Center (MA) | • Provider evaluation  
• Contact neonatologist for NICU transfer | NICU:  
1-800-332-9568 |
| Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center (NH) | • Provider evaluation  
• Contact CHaD cardiologist to coordinate transfer | Manchester:  
603-695-2740  
Lebanon:  
603-653-9888 |