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Every year, about 10,000 babies in the United States are born with serious heart problems called critical congenital heart disease (CCHD). Early detection of CCHD can lead to better outcomes for babies with this condition. To help find these problems early, all newborns in Utah are required to be screened for CCHD using pulse oximetry, "except in the case where parents object on the grounds that they are members of a specified, well-recognized religious organization whose teachings are contrary to the tests required by this section." Utah Code 26B-4-319(1)(d)

l/We,

Print parent(s)/legal guardian full name

refuse newborn critical congenital heart disease (CCHD) screening for:

Newborn full legal name

Newborn date of birth

I/We have been informed all newborns should be screened for critical congenital heart disease (CCHD) using pulse oximetry. I/We understand failure to detect and treat any of these CCHDs within the first few days or weeks of life can be life threatening. With full knowledge of the possible consequences, I/We choose **NOT** to have CCHD screening performed on my/our newborn as required by Utah Health Code 26B-4-319(1)(d). I/We release the Utah Department of Health and Human Services, the CCHD Screening program, local health department, birthing facility, and my baby's care providers of any liabilities related for such decision.

Parent/legal guardian name (please print)

Parent/legal guardian signature

Witness name and agency (please print)

Witness signature

**CCHD** Refusal Form Updated: February 26, 2024

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