



### 4.3.1 Types of Genetic Screening



#### Preconception screening

Screening of women  
before they become pregnant



#### Prenatal screening

Screening of women  
during pregnancy



#### Newborn screening

Screening of infants  
immediately after birth

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Screening may provide an early signal of a health problem in a child or adult who is not sick at the time of testing per se. It does not provide a definitive diagnosis, but rather suggests that he or she should receive further testing. There are different approaches to genetic screening depending on the population and the stage of life.

