ASAP or ideally by 10 weeks 0 days gestation

Known carrier woman

Take the woman’s sample and send to laboratory with completed FOQ. Offer screening to baby’s biological father

Father not a carrier

Father a carrier or unavailable

Offer woman/couple counselling and PND

Refer to counselling and PND. Take sample(s) and send to laboratory with completed FOQ

Decline PND

Accept PND

Organise PND
Contact DNA laboratory to expect the sample

Perform PND
Send parental and fetal samples to DNA laboratory for analysis

Give PND results to parents and discuss options

Unaffected/carryer baby

Terminate pregnancy declined

Terminate pregnancy accepted

Affected baby

Offer counselling and follow up

Newborn blood spot screening

ASAP or ideally by 12 weeks 0 days gestation

At or less than 5 days of PND procedure

Public Health England is responsible for the NHS Screening Programmes

NHS Sickle Cell & Thalassaemia Screening Programme counselling and referral to prenatal diagnosis (PND) for known carrier couples and women where father's result is unavailable

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