Hospital Responsibilities for Pregnant Women & Babies

Review the hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) laboratory test result for the pregnant woman's current pregnancy. (*Do not rely on a handwritten or transcribed HBsAg test result*). Make sure these results are in the pregnant woman's labor and delivery record and in the infant's hospital record.

If POSITIVE

Record the date and status of mom's HBsAg result on Newborn Screening (NBS) Card and submit to state.

Give baby single-antigen hepatitis B (hepB) vaccine and hepatitis B immune globulin (HBIG) w/in 12 hours of birth.

Record date and time of HBIG and hepB vaccine administration on: the infant's medical record, the infant's immunization card for the parent, and on the Electronic Birth Certificate (EBC) Hospital Worksheet.

Submit completed *Hepatitis B Case Report-Infant/Contact Form* to the Perinatal Hepatitis B Program.

If NEGATIVE *

Record the date and status of mom's HBsAg result on NBS Card and submit to state.

Give baby single-antigen hepB vaccine prior to hospital discharge.

Record date and time of hepB vaccine administration on: the infant's medical record, the infant's immunization card for the parent, and on the EBC Hospital Worksheet.

If UNKNOWN

Test pregnant woman **STAT** for HBsAg.

Follow protocol based on pregnant woman's test results.

*If a pregnant woman is HBsAg negative and is high risk: (e.g., immigrant from an endemic area, more than one sex partner in the previous 6 months, evaluated or treated for a sexually transmitted disease, partner of or a recent or current injection-drug user, household or sexual contact of an HBsAg-positive person, incarcerated, hemodialysis patient, or had clinical hepatitis since previous testing**) she should have been RETESTED in third trimester, if not, repeat HBsAg testing STAT.**