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[NEWBORN ASSESSMENT TOOL](#)

The purpose of this FYI is to inform staff that a tool has been developed to assist staff in conducting a newborn assessment to assess the health and well-being of a newborn child on an open case or referral.

The Newborn Assessment Tool was developed by the Risk Management Division to assist staff in conducting a newborn assessment. The tool is in line with the current policy [Assessing Expectant Parents and Parenting Families of Newborns 0070-548.07](#) and is structured through the [Six Protective Factors framework](#).

The Newborn Assessment Tool is a suggested resource that can be used to assist staff with structuring the safety assessment, determining the parents' protective capacities to meet the needs of their newborn and in determining if any safety intervention is needed.

The [Newborn Assessment Tool](#) can be accessed via the LAKids forms section, through policy #0070-548.07 [Assessing Expectant Parents and Parenting Families of Newborns](#) or by clicking on the following link:

http://file.mylacounty.gov/SDSIntra/dcfs/docs/1134042_NewbornAssessmenttool-12-6-22.pdf



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