

Advisory Committee Charge

The Advisory Committee shall:

- Review and report regularly on newborn and childhood screening practices
- Recommend improvements in the national newborn screening and childhood screening programs

Advisory Committee Charge (cont.)

- Provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary concerning grants and projects awarded or funded under 1109 of the PHS Act
- Provide technical information to the Secretary for the development of policies and priorities for the administration of grants under Section 1109 of the PHS Act

Advisory Committee Charge (cont.)

- Provide such recommendations, advice or information as may be necessary to enhance, expand or improve the ability of the Secretary to reduce the mortality or morbidity in newborns and children from heritable disorders.

Section 1109 of the PHS Act

- Authorizes grant awards to enhance, improve or expand the ability of States and local public health agencies to provide screening, counseling or health care services to newborns and children having or at risk for heritable disorders.
- Awards will be granted to States, or a political subdivision of a State, or a consortium of two or more States, or political subdivisions of States.