# Session Title: Life Span Communication: Health Behavior in Children, Adolescents and Teens. (HCWG)

**Title:** An Innovative Newborn Screening Program for Hemoglobinopathies: Improving Access to Care for an Underserved Population

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## **Key Lessons:**

1. Identify strategies for improvements to newborn screening follow-up for hemoglobinopathies.

# **Learning Objectives/Discussion Topics:**

- 1. Review hemoglobinopathies.
- 2. Address the burden of sickle cell disease (SCD) and other hemoglobinopathies.
- 3. Discuss NHLBI recommended standards of care for patients with SCD.
- 4. Review Healthy People 2020 Objectives for hemoglobinopathies.
- 5. Discuss the Sickle-SAFE program.

### **Questions:**

- 1. How might this program benefit other states with a similar disease population?
- 2. What other strategies might be effective when providing follow-up services to this population?
- 3. What are the current standards or follow-up protocols for your city, county, state, or country?

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