s 6529. Rhesus (Rh) Hemolytic Disease of the Newborn.

(a) Medical staffs of hospitals and physicians thereof shall in providing for the care of pregnant women determine that a blood specimen has been obtained for the determination of rhesus (Rh) blood type or shall obtain or cause to be obtained a blood specimen within 24 hours of termination of pregnancy whether by delivery or by spontaneous or therapeutic abortion for this purpose as required by Article 2.7, Chapter 2, Part 1 of Division 1 of the Health and Safety Code.

(b) All cases, or suspected cases of rhesus (Rh) hemolytic disease of the newborn, shall be reported to the Department of Health Services. Every patient diagnosed in any licensed hospital as having such condition shall be reported by the hospital on the form provided by the Department for this purpose. The hospital shall notify the physician making the diagnosis that such a report has been filed.