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Apgar Test

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A test devised by Dr. Virginia Apgar to assess the overall health of a newborn upon birth. The test is administered at one and five minutes after birth and allows for the assignation of numerical values between zero and two for specific observations regarding skin color, pulse rate, reflex irritability, muscle tone and breathing.