Is Screening Necessasry?

Not everyone needs to be screened for hypothyroidism. However, if you are at risk for thyroid disease, such as a family history, and you are considering becoming pregnant, you should get tested.

Is the Treatment Effective?

Although hypothyroidism can be a very serious, even fatal disease if left untreated, it is easily treated and a pregnant woman's baby can be protected from birth defects and a pregnancy loss can be prevented.