

RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES OF CHILDREN WITH HEARING LOSS

Brochures and Other Resources:

General Information

Who, What, Why and Hearing Screening Results English version; Who, What, Why and Hearing Screening Results English version

Description of the newborn screening test conducted to identify children with hearing loss. This pamphlet also includes a sample of a report that parents may receive following the newborn hearing screening test. Prepared by Indiana State Department of Health Early Hearing Detection and Intervention program

What if My Baby Needs More Testing

Description of what causes a baby to need additional testing after the newborn hearing screening. Step by step guide of what happens after the baby is referred for more testing and provides answers to frequently asked questions. Prepared by Indiana State Department of Health Early Hearing Detection and Intervention program

Pediatric Audiology Centers

Link to EHDI-PALS – Early Hearing Detection and Intervention: Pediatric Audiology Links to Services. This is a national database of hospitals, centers and clinics that will provide diagnostic hearing testing required after a baby is referred for more testing from the newborn hearing screening. In addition, this website provides other helpful resources about hearing, early intervention and links to additional websites families may find useful.

Language and Hearing Developmental Milestones – English

Language, hearing and general developmental milestones. English and Spanish version of month by month descriptions of behaviors that are typical from birth through 24 months

Estados de DeSallarrollo – Spanish

Language, hearing and general developmental milestones. Spanish version of month by month descriptions of behaviors that are typical from birth through 24 months

Loss and Found Video English Version; Loss and Found Video Spanish version

Parents tell their stories about finding out their children have hearing loss. Made by Hands & Voices which is a “parent driven, non-profit organization dedicated to providing unbiased support to families with children who are deaf or hard of hearing”

Indiana Resources

Indiana Family Resource Guide http://www.in.gov/isdh/files/EHDI_Ready_Guide.pdf

The Ready Guide. Getting Started: Resources, Education and Different Opportunities for your Child with Hearing Loss. Prepared by Indiana State Department of Health Early Hearing Detection and Intervention program

Level 1 and Level 2 Audiology Centers [\(Copy pdf here\)](#)

List of Indiana hospitals and clinics that can do diagnostic hearing testing if results from the newborn hearing screening test indicate a need for additional testing.

Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CDHHE) <http://www.in.gov/isdh/25883.htm>

St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf <https://sjid.org>

St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf is an educational option for children with hearing loss. Their mission is “committed to the auditory-oral education, spiritual and emotional growth, and personal development of hearing-impaired children and young adults, without discrimination, reflecting the values and traditions of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.” There is a campus in Indianapolis which has programs for children from early intervention to preschool and early elementary years.

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- [Loss and Found Video](#) (en español)
- [Who, What, Why and Hearing Screening Results](#) (en español)
- [What if My Baby Needs More Testing](#)
- [Level 1 and Level 2 Audiology Centers](#)
- [Language and Hearing Developmental Milestones](#)
- [Estados de Desarrollo - Spanish](#)
- [Indiana Family Resource Guide](#) (en español)

Agencies and Organizations

[Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing](#)

[AG Bell Academy](#) (click here to find a certified listening and spoken language specialist in Indiana)

[American Society for Deaf Children](#)

[American Speech-Language-Hearing Association](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Early Hearing Detection and Intervention \(EHDI\) Program](#)

[Hands and Voices](#)

[HEAR Indiana \(a chapter of the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing\)](#)
[Indiana First Steps](#)
[Indiana Hands and Voices \(a chapter of Hands and Voices\)](#)
[Indiana School for the Deaf \(*also see Outreach Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children*\)](#)
[My Baby's Hearing](#)
[National Association for the Deaf](#)
[National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management \(NCHAM\)](#)
[National Cued Speech Association](#)
[Outreach Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children](#)
[St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf](#)

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National Organizations

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Link to: Listening and Spoken Language Knowledge Center affiliated with the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. From the website – “The Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing helps families, health care providers and education professionals understand childhood hearing loss and the importance of early diagnosis and intervention.” The mission of this organization is “Advancing listening and talking through standards of excellence and international certification of professionals”

AG Bell Academy – Page not found

American Society for Deaf Children

From the website – “ASDC was founded in 1967 as a parent-helping-parent organization, originally....ASDC is the oldest national organization founded by and governed by parents of deaf

children....ASDC is a national, independent non-profit organization whose purpose is providing support, encouragement, and information to families raising children who are deaf or hard of hearing.

American Speech Language Hearing Association

American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA) is the professional association for speech language pathologists and audiologists. This page has a link for the public which provides information about many topics including hearing screening, hearing testing, hearing aids, cochlear implants, early hearing detection and intervention.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Program

This is a page called "Parent's Guide to Hearing Loss" and has links for several topic areas including "free materials" (e.g., lists of questions parents may have for physicians, geneticists, early intervention specialists). There are links to statistics about early intervention, scientific articles and research about early hearing detection and intervention.

Hands and Voices

This is the national website for the organization which is "parent driven, non-profit organization dedicated to providing unbiased support to families with children who are deaf or hard of hearing". Links to a variety of resources including state chapter information and contacts, videos, merchandise, frequently asked questions family members may have.

My Baby's Hearing

English and Spanish version of parent information provided by Boys Town National Research Hospital in Omaha, Nebraska. Family members can come here to find specific information about hearing testing, what test results mean, what causes hearing loss, what types of devices might be recommended (hearing aids or cochlear implants) and a dictionary of technical terms.

National Association for the Deaf

The website for the National Association for the Deaf (NAD) is the "nation's premier civil rights organization of, by and for deaf and hard of hearing individuals in the United States of America". Families can information here about legal issues, network of education advocates and state chapter information.

National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management

The National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM) "serves as the National Resource Center for the implementation and improvement of comprehensive and effective

Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) systems. As a multidisciplinary Center, our goal is to ensure that all infants and toddlers with hearing loss are identified as early as possible and provided with timely and appropriate audiological, educational, and medical intervention.” Family members can find information about early hearing detection program directors/contacts in their state and read about federal and state legislation for newborn hearing screening programs.

National Cued Speech Association

This National Cued Speech Association “ supports effective communication, language development and literacy between individuals, families, infants and children alike through the use of Cued Speech. Cued Speech is a visual mode of communication in which mouth movements of speech combine with “cues” to make the sounds (phonemes) of traditional spoken languages look different.” Families can use this website to find out more about this communication system as well as instructors and opportunities for their children (e.g., camps).