

Pediatric Early Hearing Detection & Intervention Program



PEHDI Program **Child's Voice Newborn Hearing Evaluations**

The Purpose

To identify babies with hearing loss and begin appropriate intervention as soon as possible.

Early, consistent and appropriate access to sound is critical for babies to develop the auditory centers of their brain and learn listening and spoken language.



How is the test done?

No sedation is used.

The baby can sleep in the caregivers arms, a stroller, car-seat or crib.

Several tests will be used to evaluate hearing.

This is not a screening.

The test will take at least 2 hours to complete.

Who should be tested?

Babies:

- Who did not pass their Newborn Hearing Screening in the hospital
- Born at home and not screened
- In the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)
- If parents/caregivers are worried about hearing
- Diagnosed with a syndrome associated with hearing loss
- Given medicines that could harm their hearing (IV antibiotics)
- At risk for developing a hearing loss
- Who have an immediate family member with hearing loss

Why Child's Voice?

The Audiology Center is focused on services for children.

At Child's Voice, Audiology is a key piece of the foundation which builds successful listening and spoken language skills.

The **PEHDI Program** provides testing for infants, allowing earlier diagnosis and earlier access to sound and services.

This is done in a friendly, non-clinical, child-focused environment.

Child's Voice is centrally located in DuPage County with free, accessible parking.

To Schedule or for additional information or details, please visit www.childsvoice.org.