



HEARING SCREENING AND FOLLOW-UP RECOMMENDATIONS for MEDICAL HOME PROVIDERS



MISSED HEARING SCREEN

Remember “1” in 1-3-6

- ❖ Initial hearing screen by one month of age

Refer to Pediatric Audiologist

- ❖ Use Tennessee Pediatric Audiology Directory to find closest pediatric audiologist.

Expect a “No Hear” Letter

- ❖ The State Program will send a “No Hear” letter to parents when baby misses an initial hearing screen.

More Information

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Early Intervention Services:

Tennessee Early Intervention System
1-800-852-7157

Parent-to-Parent Connections:

TN Hands and Voices – www.tnhandsandvoices.org

How to find hearing providers in Tennessee:

TN Directory – <http://health.tn.gov/MCH/NBH.shtml>
EHDI PALS– National Directory- <http://ehdi-pals.org>

How to find initial NHS results:

Use Tennessee Secure Remote Viewer (SRV)
<https://tnicms.neometrics.com/toolbar/login.aspx>

CONFIRMED HEARING LOSS

Remember “3” in 1-3-6

- ❖ Diagnostic hearing evaluation by 3 months of age

Report to State NHS Program

- ❖ The NHS Program will accept reporting in any format. Fax: 615-532-8555 or Phone: 1-855-202- 1357. Please indicate audiologist, if known.

Refer to ENT

- ❖ To recommend treatment and receive medical clearance for amplification

Ensure Regular Audiologic Evaluations of Hearing Loss

- ❖ Birth to 3 – Every 3 months
- ❖ Age 3 to 6 - Every 6 months

Remember “6” in 1-3-6

- ❖ Ensure child is enrolled in early intervention services by 6 months.

Make Other Referrals

- ❖ Genetic, Vision, Early Intervention, Parent -to-Parent Connection

RISK INDICATOR

Expect an “At-Risk” Letter

- ❖ The NHS Program sends an “At-Risk” letter to parents and physicians when a risk indicator is reported by the birthing hospital.

Refer to JCIH ‘07 Statement

- ❖ Outlines risk indicators for hearing loss.

Ask Parents, Again

- ❖ Risk indicators are not always reported accurately before hospital discharge.

Ensure Audiologic Evaluations

- ❖ The TN NHS Audiologic Guidelines recommend audiologic follow-up every 6 months until age 3 for children who exhibit a risk factor.