

# Newborn Hearing Screening, Diagnosis, and Intervention

## GUIDING FAMILIES THROUGH THE PROCESS

### Birth

Checkups with Health Care Provider

Two to four days

Home Birth      Hospital Birth

**IN-HOSPITAL NEWBORN HEARING SCREEN**

Did not pass or not screened       Pass

### One Month

**OUTPATIENT HEARING SCREEN**

Did not pass       Pass

### Two Months

- Schedule your infant for a diagnostic evaluation with an audiologist.
- Have an evaluation with an Ear, Nose, and Throat (ENT) Doctor.
- If your infant is diagnosed with a hearing loss, learn about assistive listening devices and find the right one for your child with guidance from your audiologist. It is important that every baby with deafness have a genetic evaluation.
- Track your baby's hearing and speech development milestones.
- Call your infant's pediatrician if you have any further concerns.

**EVALUATION BY PEDIATRIC AUDIOLOGIST (HEARING SPECIALIST)**

Hearing Loss       No Hearing Loss

#### MILESTONES TO WATCH FOR:

- Startles to loud sounds
- Quiets or smiles when spoken to
- Coos and gurgles
- Cries differently for different needs

### Four Months

- Enroll in early intervention program that has experience serving children with hearing loss.
  - Make regular visits to Pediatric Audiologist.
- Evaluations:*
- Ophthalmologist (eye specialist)
  - Genetic Specialist
  - Other Medical Specialists (heart, kidneys, etc.)

#### MILESTONES TO WATCH FOR:

- Moves eyes in direction of sounds
- Notices music and toys that make sound
- Babbling becomes more like speech with sounds such as p, b, and m
- Makes different sounds when happy or upset

### Six Months

Stay tuned to your baby's speech and hearing! Talk to your doctor if you have concerns or call the Newborn Screening - Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHD) Program at 1-800-262-3030.