

## WHY IS MY BABY TESTED ?

- Newborn Screening is one of the most important things done for your new baby's health.
- We test all the newborn's because a few who look healthy have a rare birth defect or disorder.
- If we find early, we can help prevent serious problems such as intellectual/developmental disabilities, illness, or death.

## FOUR GOOD REASONS YOU SHOULD HAVE YOUR BABY'S HEARING TESTED:

**1** Approximately 5 in 1000 babies are born each year with hearing loss.

- More than half of the babies born with hearing problem are otherwise healthy & have no family history of hearing loss.
- If your baby has hearing problem, you can still help your baby in language skills. The sooner you act, the better the outcome.

**2** Some babies do not pass screening.

- There are many reasons why your baby may not "pass" the test. If this happens, a follow up test must be done.
- It is important to follow the recommendations given by your hospital, physician/ audiologist.

## EARLY IDENTIFICATION OF HEARING LOSS- METHOD

### *Early Intervention*

No later than 6 month of age

### *Diagnostics*


No later than 3 month of age

### *Screening*


No later than 1 month of age

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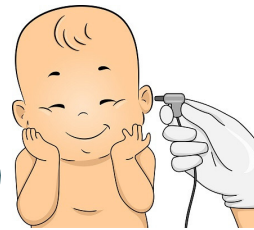
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## Newborn Hearing Screening



*It is Important to have your  
Baby's Hearing Checked !*

Your baby cannot tell you if he/she can't  
hear your Voice or Grandma's lullaby.

*Early Detection is the  
Key to better quality of Life*

**3** Some babies do not pass screening. There are two types of hearing Screening for infants:

- Otoacoustic Emissions (OAE) measures an "echo" response to sound from the ear directly. Both tests are safe and your baby may sleep quietly through both types of hearing screenings.
- Automated Auditory Brainstem Response (AABR) tests the baby's ability to hear soft sounds through earphones. Sensors are placed on the baby's skin, which measures responses to sound at the level of the brainstem

**4** Early Identification & Treatment is the key to success.

- Language (sign and/or spoken) helps your baby's brain grow. Access and early exposure to language provide the foundation for later learning.
- Infants with hearing loss can develop to their full potential if they identified early and enroll in Early Intervention
- For more information, call or visit us or any audiologist near to avail the schemes & other needed.

**CAN A NEWBORN BABY PASS THE HEARING SCREENING AND STILL DEVELOP HEARING LOSS ?**

Yes, the screening confirms that your baby can hear at the time of screening. Some babies may lose their hearing later because of :

- some illnesses
- some medicines
- Family history of hearing loss
- Multiple ear infections

**IF MORE TESTING MUST BE DONE, DOES THAT MEAN THAT MY BABY HAS A PROBLEM ?**

No, An abnormal newborn screen only shows the need for more testing. This does NOT mean there is anything wrong. It just means your baby needs to be tested again to double-check for possible problem.

**WHAT IF MY BABY IDENTIFIED TO HAVE HEARING LOSS ?**

If baby found to have hearing loss, we can help. our newborn hearing screening project can find the appropriate management options and referrals to improve the quality of life to help you and your baby will need. From hearing aids to speech and language therapy, there are many ways to handle hearing problems.

