

Supporting Families of Children Who Have Confirmed Hearing Loss; A Minnesota EHDl Systems Overview (February 2018)

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(No activities are described in this cell.)	<p>EHDl Legislation, System Resources:</p> <p>Joint Committee on Infant Hearing (JCIH), 2007 Position Statement, 2013 Supplement, Parent' Guide</p> <p>Federal, State EHDl Legislation</p> <p>MN Dept. of Health EHDl websites and materials</p> <p>Annual MDH EHDl Reports</p> <p>Early MDH EHDl system activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development and monitoring of newborn hearing screening reporting systems, follow-up, data collection • Training of hospital/birthing center/midwife hearing screening staff, (MDH Newborn Screening staff, Kirsten Coverstone) • EHDl Information and training for Health Care Providers 	<p>To go to the JCIH website Click here. (http://www.jcih.org/)</p> <p>To view the Year 2007 JCIH Position Statement, "<i>Principles and Guidelines for Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Programs</i>" Click here. (http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/120/4/898.full)</p> <p>To view the 2013 Supplement to the JCIH 2007 Position Statement, "<i>Principles and Guidelines for Early Intervention After Confirmation That a Child Is Deaf or Hard of Hearing</i>" Click here. (http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2013/03/18/peds.2013-0008)</p> <p>To view information and a link to "<i>A Parent's Guide to Deaf and Hard of Hearing Early Intervention Recommendations</i>" Click here. (http://www.handsandvoices.org/resources/jcih-parent-guide.html)</p> <p>For information and links for Federal Public Law No 115-71 <i>Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Act of 2017</i> Click here. (https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/652/all-info)</p> <p>To view <i>MN Statute 144.966 (2017) Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program</i> Click here. (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=144.966)</p> <p>To view <i>MN Statute 144.125 (2017) Tests of Infants for Heritable and Congenital Disorders</i> Click here. (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=144.125)</p> <p>To view <i>MN Statute 15.059 (2017) Advisory Councils and Committees</i> Click here. (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=15.059)</p> <p>To view <i>MN Statute 125A.63 (2017): Resources; Deaf or Hard of Hearing and Blind or Visually Impaired</i> Click here. (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=125A.63)</p> <p>To go to the MDH Newborn Screening Program website Click here. (http://www.health.state.mn.us/newbornscreening/)</p> <p>To go to the MN Dept of Health EHDl Follow-up website Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/) This site includes guidelines, recommendations approved by the MN Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee.</p> <p>To view the <i>MDH EHDl Annual Report 2015</i> Click here (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/phl/newborn/program/ehdireport2015.pdf)</p>

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<p>Newborn Hearing Screening is completed in the birth hospital/birthing center, or by midwives for homebirths; Results recorded as “Pass” or “Did not pass/Refer”. If “did not pass”, screening is typically repeated before baby leaves the hospital or birthing center. Sometimes, parents will be asked to bring baby back for a rescreen after leaving hospital.</p> <p>If the child “Did not pass” newborn hearing screening/rescreening, a recommendation is made to parents to talk to their pediatrician regarding follow-up and further hearing evaluations.</p> <p>It is also recommended that the hospital/birthing center staff schedule the outpatient hearing screening follow-up for/with the family prior to discharge. (Currently in progress of implementation.)</p>	<p>Hospitals and birthing center staff are required by 2007 MN Statute to report results of newborn hearing screening (and all screenings) to MN Dept. of Health Newborn Screening staff.</p> <p>MDH systems development has made reporting of hearing screening results at all MN hospitals and birth facilities now more automatic through connections of hearing screening technology and electronic medical records.</p> <p>Results of newborn hearing screening are also reported to child’s pediatrician of record.</p> <p>In the case of a “Did not pass/Refer” newborn hearing screening result, MDH screening staff follow a rigorous protocol of follow-up, often prompting contact and reporting with medical providers. MDH staff also contact audiology providers if audiology follow-up appointment results are missing. An MDH Audiologist may call pediatrician of record to share information, answer questions, and reinforce referrals to clinical audiology and ENT.</p> <p>MDH staff sends “Just in Time” information to child’s Pediatrician/Family Physician.</p> <p>Following discharge from the hospital, if MDH Screening staff are not able to find the child or pediatrician of record for follow-up, local Public Health Nurse is contacted. Local Public Health tries to find the child through other programs</p>	<p>To go to MDH webpage <i>Newborn Screening information for Families</i> Click here. (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/phl/newborn/families/index.html)</p> <p>To go to MDH webpage <i>Screening and Diagnostic Resources for Families</i> Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/resources.cfm)</p> <p>For information and link to view the TPT-ECHO video “Does My Child Have a Hearing Loss?” Click here. (http://www.echominnesota.org/library/does-my-child-have-hearing-loss)</p> <p>To go to the MDH webpage <i>Newborn Screening Materials and Resources; Education Materials and Forms</i> Click here. (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/phl/newborn/materials/education.html)</p> <p>To go to the MDH webpage <i>Newborn Screening information for Providers: Hearing Screening and Diagnostic Information for Audiologists</i> Click here. (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/phl/newborn/providers/audiologists.html)</p> <p>To go to the MDH webpage <i>Newborn Screening information for Providers; Hearing Screening for Primary Care Providers</i> Click here (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/phl/newborn/providers/hearingprimary.html)</p> <p>To go to the MN EHDI webpage <i>Medical Home Best Practice Guidelines</i> Click here (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/medicalhome/bestpractices.cfm)</p> <p>To view the MDH EHDI <i>Patient Checklist for Primary Care Providers</i> Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/library/files/PCPChecklist.pdf)</p> <p>To view the MDH document “Guidelines for Primary Care and Medical Home Providers, NHSAC 2017”, Click here. (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/medicalguidelines.pdf)</p> <p>To view the MDH EHDI graphic <i>Hearing Screening Follow-up Process</i> for primary care providers Click here. (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/FollowUpTimelineandMyths_Revised%205.24.12.pdf)</p> <p>To view the MDH—NHSAC document “Guidelines for Hearing Screening After the Newborn Period to Kindergarten” Click here (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/library/files/afternewbornperiodguidelines.pdf)</p> <p>To view a list of Local Public Health Nurses who are EHDI Key Contacts by county Click here (http://improveehdi.org/mn/library/files/countykeycontacts.pdf)</p>

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	and helps to make sure follow-up happens.	
Child sees pediatrician/Primary Care Provider (PCP), for newborn and well-baby visits; discusses results of hearing screening and next steps.	<p>Pediatrician/PCP provides referrals to clinical audiologist as needed to schedule and complete diagnostic hearing evaluations. If a diagnostic audiology appointment has already been scheduled, the PCP will support the importance of the appointment and follow-up. Referrals to ENT are provided as needed for medical management.</p> <p>A few clinics provide a “medical home” model of services for children with special needs, and “care coordination” of medical services and referrals.</p>	<p>To go to MDH EHDI webpage to search for <i>MN Diagnostic Audiology Providers</i> Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/providers.cfm)</p> <p>To search the national website <i>EHDI PALS, Pediatric Audiology Links to Services</i> Click here. (http://www.ehdipals.org/)</p> <p>To go to the MDH EHDI webpage <i>Medical Home</i> Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/medicalhome/)</p>
Family makes an appointment to see a pediatric diagnostic audiologist. (They may have to wait for an appointment or may need to travel to a larger medical center.)	<p>Care Coordinators in medical home clinics or staff from birth centers may assist in making follow-up appointments.</p> <p>Timely diagnostic appointments with the pediatric audiologist are critical! Follow-up should not be delayed!</p>	(No resources are listed in this cell.)
<p>Child sees clinical audiologist (and possibly ENT) for initial visit.</p> <p>If hearing loss is confirmed by clinical audiologist, parents will need to make an appointment to see ENT. Sometimes a visit with an ENT can be done on the same day at the same clinic with audiology. Often, a family will need to make another appointment to see a pediatric ENT.</p>	Clinical audiologist reports results of diagnostic audiological evaluations (or a repeat hearing screening) to MDH Newborn Screening program and to the child’s pediatrician. Required by MN State Statute 144.966	<p>To view <i>MN Statute 144.966 (2017) Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program</i> Click here. (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=144.966)</p> <p>To go to the MDH webpage <i>Audiologists Reporting Diagnostic Results and Appointments</i> Click here. (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/phl/newborn/providers/audiologists.html)</p>
To get more complete hearing information, the child may need to be scheduled for a sedated/non-sedated ABR. Parents schedule the ABR with the pediatric audiologist.	(No activities are described in this cell.)	(No resources are listed in this cell.)

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<p>A natural sleep ABR is recommended for infants prior to 3 months of age.</p> <p>If the child needs a sedated ABR, he/she will first go back to the pediatrician/PCP for medical clearance for sedation.</p>		
<p>ABR is completed.</p> <p>If hearing loss is confirmed:</p> <p>1. Audiologist discusses results with parents and next steps for families, including audiological care, medical follow-up, MN Hands and Voices, and early intervention.</p> <p>2. Audiologist gives parents a book and materials provided by MDH. (Includes MN version of North Carolina “Beginnings” book for parents and the MN EHDI “Roadmap.”)</p> <p>If hearing loss is confirmed by clinical audiologist, and hearing aid use is indicated, parents need to make an appointment to see ENT for medical clearance for hearing aids and other care. (The child may see ENT on the same/different day, same/different clinic.)</p> <p>Parents may choose to connect with MN Hands and Voices themselves. The clinical audiologist may facilitate that connection.</p>	<p>1. ABR results are REPORTED to MDH and to medical providers.</p> <p>If hearing loss is confirmed:</p> <p>2. REFERRAL is to be made by the clinical audiologist to Part C Early Intervention as soon as possible, but no later than 7 days following confirmation of hearing loss, as per federal Part C final regulations, 2011. For children birth through five years of age, referrals are completed online through MN Help Me Grow system. Children older than 5 years of age are referred directly to their school district for an evaluation.</p> <p>*Note: Medical clinics may require that parents sign permission for audiologists to refer the child to Part C. Parent permission for a Part C referral, if providing contact information only, is NOT required under Part C Regulations. However, positive communication with the family about a referral to early intervention is important. HIPAA federal law does require parent permission for the audiologist to share any health/hearing information through the Help Me Grow online referral system. FERPA federal law requires the schools to obtain parent permission to share any</p>	<p>Electronic medical records online reporting process with MDH Newborn Screening is being implemented in MN hospitals and clinics.</p> <p>Clinical Audiologist next steps: “<i>Report—Refer—Connect</i>” poster and bookmark. These education materials are provided to clinical diagnostic audiologists by MDH EHDI Follow-up staff; revised materials have been disseminated.</p> <p>To view the MDH document “<i>Minnesota EHDI Program, Guidelines for Audiologist Referral to Early Intervention and Family-to-Family Support (NHSAC 2009)</i>” Click here (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/MDH%20Audiology%20E1%20Referral%20Guidelines.pdf)</p> <p>To go to the MN Help Me Grow website—Refer a Child Click here. (http://helpmegrowmn.org/HMG/GetHelpChild/index.html)</p> <p>To view the MDH/MDE document “<i>Sharing Child Information to Coordinate Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) Referrals; Guidance for Clinics and Schools (2016)</i>” Click here. (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/ecsererefguide.pdf)</p> <p>To go to the Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA) webpage on IDEA Part C and related links Click here. (http://ectacenter.org/partc/303regs.asp)</p> <p>To go to the ASHA webpage IDEA Part C Final Regulations (2011) and Issue Briefs Click here. (https://www.asha.org/Advocacy/federal/idea/2011-IDEA-Part-C-Final-Regulations/) This webpage includes “<i>Implications for Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists Who Provide Services for Infants and Toddlers With Hearing Loss and Their Families.</i>”</p> <p>To view the MDH Step by Step Roadmap for Parents of Children with a Hearing Loss Click here (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/roadmapenglish.pdf)</p> <p>To go to the North Carolina website Beginnings for Parents of Children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing Click here. (https://ncbegin.org)</p>

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	<p>evaluation and services information back with the audiologist and PCP.</p> <p>3. Audiologists are strongly encouraged to CONNECT the family with MN Hands and Voices.</p>	<p>For ordering information for the Beginnings book <i>“Understanding Child’s Hearing Loss; A Guide for Parents”</i> Click here. (http://ncbegin.org/product/understanding-your-childs-hearing-loss-a-guide-for-parents/) This book is available in English and Spanish, also on CD Rom. The MN Version is in English only and is currently under review by an interagency committee.</p> <p>To go to the MN Hands and Voices webpage Refer a Family Click here. (https://www.mnhandsandvoices.org/refer-family)</p>
(No activities are described in this cell.)	<p>When MDH receives the audiologist’s report of confirmed hearing loss, follow-up for the child moves from the MDH Newborn Screening section to MDH EHDl Follow-up Staff.</p> <p>MDH Follow-up staff alert local county Public Health of the child’s confirmed hearing loss and ask local Public Health Nurse to help with follow-up as needed. LPHN will report activities back to MDH EHDl Follow-up staff.</p> <p>MDH typically communicates with child’s pediatrician again to report confirmation of hearing loss and offer any needed assistance and information.</p> <p>MDH Follow-up staff contacts MN Hands and Voices. MDH has contracted with MN H&V to make initial calls to families of children newly diagnosed with hearing loss. MN H&V also reports contact data back to MDH Follow-up staff. (So--even if an earlier connection with MN H&V was not facilitated by the clinical audiologist, a MN Hands and Voices Parent Guide will now reach out to the family.)</p>	<p>To go to MDH EHDl Follow-up website Improve EHDl Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/)</p> <p>To go to the MN Hands and Voices website Click here. (https://www.mnhandsandvoices.org/)</p> <p>To read more about MN Hands & Voices Parent Guides Click here. (https://www.mnhandsandvoices.org/about-us.aspx)</p>
When medical clearance for hearing aid is approved, family will need to go back to clinical audiologist for hearing aid choice, fitting, earmold impressions.	Clinical audiologist may be in contact with Lion’s Hearing Aid Loaner program (Families of very young children can borrow hearing aid(s) for up to a year.)	To go to the UMN Lions Infant Hearing Device Loaner Program website Click here . (https://hearbank.web.health.state.mn.us/home.xhtml)

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		To view <i>MN Statute 62Q.675 Hearing Aids; Persons 18 or Younger</i> Click here. (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=62Q.675) Note: This bill does not apply to employers who are self-insured (ERISA).
Family may receive a phone call from a local Public Health Nurse to check in with parents and provide assistance as needed to get medical or audiological care, services, etc. LPHN also assists with MDH EHDI “Loss to Follow-up” efforts.	LPHN reports status back to MDH Follow-up staff.	(No resources are listed in this cell.)
Parents receive a 3-ring binder of information and a link to an online pdf version in the mail from MDH EHDI Follow-up staff about 2 weeks after the clinical audiologist reports the child’s hearing loss to MDH. (“What You Need to Know...Resources for Families”)	MDH Follow-up program mails a binder of printed information to the parents -- “What You Need to Know...Resources for Families” and a link to an electronic pdf format of the binder. An interagency committee of professionals and parents review/update the contents of the binder yearly.	For more MDH information for parents, including the <i>“What you Need to Know; Resources for Families” binder on the MDH Improve EHDI website</i> Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/resources.cfm) To access the electronic pdf format of the “What You Need to Know; Resources for Families” Click here. (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/cfh/program/cyshn/content/document/pdf/ehdibinder.pdf)
Family receives a call from a MN Hands & Voices Parent Guide to offer information and support, connections to other services.	(No activities are described in this cell.)	To go to the MN Hands and Voices webpage “Our Services” , click here. (https://www.mnhandsandvoices.org/about-us/our-services)
(No activities are described in this cell.)	Referral to Early Intervention by clinical audiologist has begun -- through online Help Me Grow system or directly to local school districts.	For more information on Referrals to Early Intervention through MN Help Me Grow Click here. (http://helpmegrowmn.org/HMG/index.htm)
Parents return to clinical audiologist to get hearing aid, instruction on hearing aid care. New ear molds will be needed often.	(No activities are described in this cell.)	(No resources are listed in this cell.)
Parents may meet with MN H&V Parent Guide in person or talk on the phone. Parents receive a folder of information from MN H&V.	MN Hands & Voices compiles a folder of information appropriate for each family. It currently includes resources such as the <i>Pathways</i> DVD from N. Carolina Beginnings, <i>“The Book of Choice”</i> , family stories, and information about H&V.	For ordering information for the N. Carolina Beginnings “Pathways to Language and Communication” DVD Click here. (http://ncbegin.org/product/pathways-to-language-and-communication/) For ordering information for Hands & Voices “The Book of Choice,” Edited by Leeann Seaver Click here (Available in English and Spanish). (http://www.handsandvoices.org/resources/products.htm) To go to the MN Hands & Voices webpage Family Stories Click here.

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Parents return to their PCP for well-child visits, etc.	(No activities are described in this cell.)	(https://www.mnhandsandvoices.org/first-stop/parent-stories.aspx) (No resources are listed in this cell.)
(No activities are described in this cell.)	<p>When notified through the HMG system or direct referral, the school district intake person and B-3 ECSE staff members meet and make plans for who/how to respond to referral.</p> <p>Team should include Teacher DHH and Educational Audiologist, along with ECSE program staff (ECSE Teacher, SLP, OT, PT as appropriate to the individual child.</p> <p>Teams are encouraged to ask parents to include the referral source on release of information to share status/eligibility.</p>	<p>To go to the MDE MN Help Me Grow website Click here. (http://helpmegrowmn.org/HMG/index.htm) This site includes information and resources for parents and professionals on child development, referral to Part C Infant and Toddler Intervention or Part B Special Education, and support services.</p> <p>To go to the MN Department of Education (MDE) Early Childhood Special Education website Click here. (http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/ecse/)</p> <p>To go to the MDE webpage Part B and Part C Resources Click here. (http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/ecse/bc/) The posted documents “support efforts of school districts to meet Early Childhood Special Education program requirements established by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Minnesota statutes and rules.” This webpage includes links to post-referral requirements and processes for young children referred for Part C or Part B evaluation, assessment and program planning.</p> <p>To view the MDH/MDE document “Sharing Child Information to Coordinate Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) Referrals; Guidance for Clinics and Schools (2016)” Click here. (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/ecserereguide.pdf)</p>
Parents receive a call from local Early Intervention intake person. Developmental screening and/or planning for an eligibility evaluation, developmental assessment starts.	Team meets to determine evaluation team, service coordinator, steps and timelines for eligibility evaluation and assessment for IFSP development.	MN State Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee has developed a recommendation document, “Knowledge and Competencies for Professionals Working with Young Children who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing and their Families, 2010.” To view the Knowledge and Competencies document Click here . (http://www.improveehdi.org/wi/library/files/MDH%20Knowledge%20and%20Competencies.pdf)
Parents participate in Part C/B eligibility evaluation and developmental assessment for the child, conducted by a team of education professionals. Following the eligibility evaluation and assessment activities, an IFSP/IEP is written for eligible children and the family starts to	The educational team completes eligibility evaluations and assessments with the family. They discuss needs, services, early intervention providers, and educational placements appropriate to support each individual child and family. The family and team create IFSP/IEP for the child and family.	<p>To view the MN Low Incidence Projects/EHDI document “Part C Service Coordinator’s/Service Provider’s/IEP Case Manager’s Checklist: Supporting Families of Children Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing” Click here. (http://www.mnlowincidenceprojects.org/documents/ehdi_service_coordinator_checklist_July2015_accessible.pdf)</p> <p>To go to the MDE webpage Part C and Part B Resources Click here. (http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/ecse/bc/) This webpage includes a “Part C Eligibility Determination Flowchart” and IFSP Form Guidance for educational teams, and a “Summary of Your Part C Procedural Safeguards” for parents.</p>

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<p>receive Family-Centered EI or ECSE services.</p>		<p>To go to the MN Help Me Grow webpage <i>Diagnosed Conditions Affecting Development</i> for information related to automatic eligibility for Part C services Click here. (http://helpmegrowmn.org/HMG/HelpfulRes/ResourcesProf/DiagCondAffectDev/index.html)</p> <p>To view MN Low Incidence Projects – EHDl resources webpage <i>Assessment and Outcomes Reporting for DHH</i> Click here. (http://www.mnlowincidenceprojects.org/ehdiAssessment.html)</p> <p>To view information and a link to “A Parent’s Guide to Deaf and Hard of Hearing Early Intervention Recommendations” Click here. (http://www.handsandvoices.org/resources/jcih-parent-guide.html)</p> <p>To view the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) document “Making a Plan for Your Child; IFSP Considerations for Children Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing” Click here. (http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/hearingloss/freematerials/planforyourchild.pdf)</p> <p>To view the MN Administrative Rule for Part B Special Education Eligibility under Deaf and Hard of Hearing Categorical Criteria, Click here (https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/?id=3525.1331)</p> <p>To view the MN Collaborative for DHH “Discussion Guide for Language and Communication Focused IEPs for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Learners (2015)” Click here. (https://mn.gov/deaf-commission/assets/Language-and-Communication-Focused-IEPs-for-Learners-Who-Are-Deaf-or-Hard-of-Hearing-Discussion-Guide_tcm1063-154134.pdf)</p> <p>To view IEP Discussion Guide Webinars that supplement the <i>Discussion Guide for Language and Communication Focused IEPs for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Learners (2015)</i> Click here. (https://mn.gov/deaf-commission/advocacy-issues/education/iep-discussion-guide/webinars/)</p> <p>For information about the MN Hands and Voices “Advocacy, Support and Training (ASTra) Program Click here. (http://handsandvoices.org/astra/index.html) The ASTra website Includes information for families on IDEA and IEP considerations for children who are DHH. It includes a list of resources, including the book “Educational Advocacy For Students Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing”, For information on ordering the book Click here. (http://handsandvoices.org/resources/products.htm#astra)</p>

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		<p>To go to the PACER Center webpage <i>Early Childhood Family Information and Resources Project</i> Click here. (http://www.pacer.org/ec/)</p> <p>To go to the PACER Center webpage <i>Parent Special Education Information</i> Click here. (http://www.pacer.org/parent/)</p> <p>To go to the PACER Center webpage <i>Special Education Rights</i> Click here. (http://www.pacer.org/publications/specedrights.asp)</p>
By this time, child will need to be seen again for follow-up clinical audiology appointment to re-make earmolds, check hearing aid, etc.	(No activities are listed in this cell.)	(No resources are listed in this cell.)
At some point in the first year after confirmation of hearing loss, the child and family may see medical specialists in ophthalmology and genetics.	PCP referrals to ophthalmology and genetics are recommended by the MN EHD system (typically discussed by the PCP, clinical audiologist, ENT or other professionals with reference to the MN EHD Roadmap for families.	<p>To view the MDH <i>Step by Step Roadmap for Parents of Children with a Hearing Loss</i> Click here. (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/roadmapenglish.pdf)</p> <p>To go to the MDH Improve EHD website <i>Specialty Care</i> Click here. (http://www.improveehdi.org/mn/specialty/)</p> <p>To view an MDH handout for parents, “Genetics of Hearing Loss” Click here. (http://improveehdi.org/MN/library/files/Genetics_of_Hearing_Loss_(MDH).pdf)</p>
The child and family begin to receive EI or ECSE services	<p>Early Intervention Services / Preschool Special Education Services are initiated.</p> <p>Given parent permission to share information, Early Intervention services providers and medical providers are encouraged to continue to communicate in support of the child and family.</p>	<p>To go to the Division for Early Childhood (DEC) webpage <i>DEC Recommended Practices in early intervention/early childhood special education 2014</i> Click here. (http://www.dec-sped.org/recommendedpractices)</p> <p>To go to the ECTA Center website and view an online edition of the <i>DEC Recommended Practices, Practice Guides, Performance Checklists, and Videos</i> Click here. (http://ectacenter.org/decrp/decrp.asp)</p> <p>To go to the MN Centers of Excellence for Young Children with Disabilities website Click here. (https://mncoe.org/) For links to <i>INSPIRE ACTION</i> initiatives Click here (https://mncoe.org/inspire-action/)</p> <p>To view the article “Best Practices in Family-Centered Early Intervention for Children Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing; An International Consensus Statement” Click here. (https://academic.oup.com/jdsde/article/18/4/429/562489)</p> <p>To view the 2013 Supplement to the JCIH 2007 Position Statement, “Principles and Guidelines for Early Intervention After Confirmation That a Child Is Deaf or Hard of Hearing” Click here. (http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2013/03/18/peds.2013-0008)</p>

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<p>Additional services that may be provided to the family:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Continued contact/support from MN H&V Parent Guides and family activities --Connection with Deaf Mentor Family Program (DMFP) and/or Deaf and Hard of Hearing Role Model Services, through Lifetrack Resources --County Social Services --County Public Health Services --Local family support groups --Additional medical/private therapy services if child has multiple needs or with parent choice 		<p>To go to the MN Deaf Mentor Family Program website Click here. (http://lifetrack-mn.org/services/dmfp)</p> <p>To go to MN Deaf and Hard of Hearing Role Model Services website Click here (http://www.lifetrack-mn.org/rolemodel)</p> <p>To go to the MN Department of Health webpage <i>Find a Local Health Department or County Health Board</i> Click here. (http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/opi/gov/find.html)</p> <p>To view a list of Local Public Health Nurses who are EHDI Key Contacts by county Click here (http://improveehdi.org/mn/library/files/countykeycontacts.pdf)</p> <p>To go to MN Department of Human Services webpage <i>Program Overviews</i> Click here. (https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/program-overviews/)</p>

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EHDI System String Demonstration -- Possible Participant Roles:

- Parent(s), Grandparent(s)
- MN Dept of Health Newborn Screening, EHDI Follow-up Staff
- Pediatrician/Family Practice Dr.
- Clinical Audiologist
- ENT Specialist
- Medical Specialists: Ophthalmologist, Geneticist
- Local Public Health Nurse
- MN Hands & Voices Parent Guide
- MDE/HMG online referral
- District Intake Person
- District B-3 / ECSE team: Teacher DHH, Educational Audiologist, ECSE Teacher, SLP, Others
- Deaf Mentor/ Hard of Hearing Adult contact
- County Social Services Provider