



Do's and Don'ts

DO confirm that you receive hearing screening results from the hospital for every newborn you see.

DO ask about risk factors which can affect hearing levels when babies pass their newborn hearing screen and develop a plan for following these babies.

DO remember that a stay in the NICU is a risk factor and these babies should be followed closely even if they passed their hearing screen in the NICU.

DO confirm that every baby who refers on their newborn hearing screen sees a pediatric audiologist with the capability to perform a complete diagnostic evaluation by 3 months of age.

DO know where to turn to get [EHDl resources](#) in your state.

DO have a system in place to follow up after a referral for diagnostic testing that assures the appointment is kept and you've received results of that evaluation in a timely fashion.

DO refer every baby who is found to have hearing difference to early intervention and parent support services.

DON'T delay referral for diagnostic testing if a baby has middle ear fluid.

DON'T ignore a parent's concern that their baby may not be hearing or responding to sounds, even if that baby has passed their newborn hearing screen.