

Primary Care Provider Shared Plan of Care for Children with Hearing Loss



When a child has been identified with hearing loss, the parents may have questions. You are one of the people they will turn to for help. This plan is part of a shared plan of care for the family and their primary professional support system. The Family, Primary Care Provider, Audiologist, and Early Intervention's Shared Plan of Care can also be found at VDHLiveWell.com/hearing.

Child's Social History

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Siblings (ages, health/ wellness concerns) _____

Primary Language/Cultural Considerations/ Preferences _____

The Primary Concern of family _____

Following Diagnosis of Hearing Loss

- Review family history, including risk factors that may be related to the child's hearing loss
- Review recent audiology test results
- Review social history and identify barriers to care access
- Obtain an EKG – evaluate for long QT
- Review laboratory data, including maternal TORCHES results

Discuss with Parents

- How the hearing loss may affect the child's communication and development
- Benefits of early intervention enrollment as soon as possible
- Importance of continuing follow-up appointments with a pediatric audiologist
- Importance of communication between parent and child. Information available at: <https://bit.ly/2DZAPsH>
- Insurance coverage, financial costs and resources that may be available
- Importance of having a strong support system

Refer as recommended by JCIH*

- To otolaryngology (ENT)–for hearing aid clearance; may refer for imaging.
- Other specialists as needed:
 - Ophthalmologist
 - Genetics
 - Developmental pediatrician
 - Neurologist
 - Cardiologist
 - Nephrologist
 - Infectious Disease specialist

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Resources

- Care Connection for Children for case management services: vdh.virginia.gov/care-connection-for-children/
- VCU Center for Family Involvement- Family-to-family support: www.infanthearing.org/ehdi-ebook/2015_ebook/6-chapter6etiologies2015.pdf
- Unbiased language and communication options: <https://ncbegin.org/reference-chart/>

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Strategies and Plans

| Goals | Actions/ Strategies | Accountable Person | Time Frame |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Patient Goal(s) | | | |
| Family Goal(s) | | | |
| Clinical Goal(s) | | | |

For More Information: A detailed copy of the Shared Plan of Care can be found at:
<http://newbornhearingtestva.com/>

Virginia's Resource Guide for Families of Children with Hearing Loss:
<https://bit.ly/2MKB7Wj>

Contact the Virginia AAP Chapter Champion for Early Hearing Detection and Intervention

