

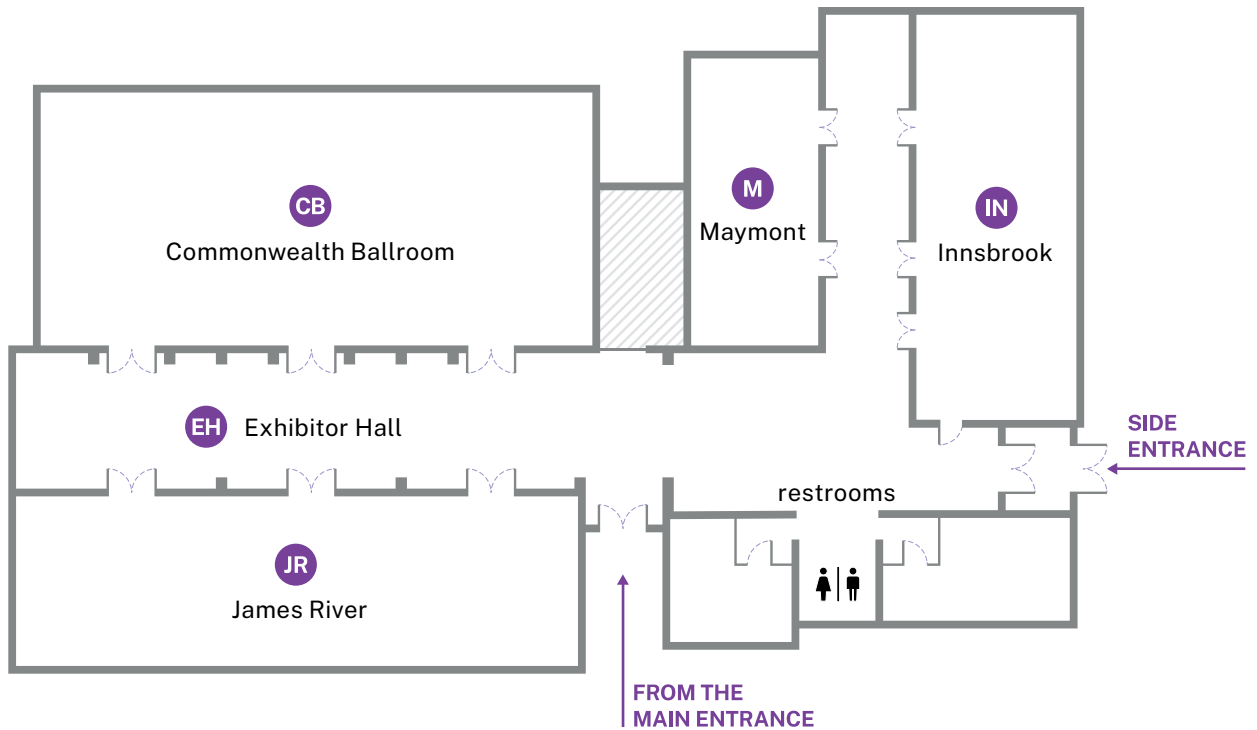
Virginia Early Hearing Detection & Intervention Conference

February 13–15, 2023



Agenda

CONFERENCE MAP



FEB 13 MONDAY

PRECONFERENCE

12:00PM 6:00PM	Registration Open	EH
1:00PM 3:00PM	Virginia EHDI Advisory Committee Meeting	CB
3:00PM 3:30PM	Break	EH
3:30PM 5:00PM	Virginia EHDI Statewide Learning Community Meeting	IN
5:00PM 7:00PM	Exhibitor Setup	EH

FEB 14 TUESDAY

7:00AM Exhibitor Setup
8:00AM

EH

8:00AM **BREAKFAST / Registration Open / Exhibitors / Poster Gallery**
9:00AM

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EH

9:00AM Welcome and Overview

9:15AM

speaker: **Vanessa Walker Harris, MD**

Division Director, Office of Family Health Services, Virginia Department of Health

CB

9:15AM **Keynote Presentation: What's Past is Prologue: Achieving EHDI's Potential**
10:15AM

speaker: **Karl White, PhD**

Director of the NCHAM

CB

This presentation will summarize the history of newborn hearing screening, describe the current status, and discuss some of the important challenges and emerging issues that could be addressed to further improve early identification of childhood hearing loss. Lessons learned over the past decades and recent advances based on research and policy initiatives will be used to highlight how various stakeholders (e.g., health care providers, public health officials, parents, and educators) can continue to improve outcomes for children who are deaf or hard of hearing.

10:15AM **Coffee Break / Exhibitors / Poster Gallery**
10:00AM

EH

10:30AM **Panel Presentation: Overview of Virginia EHDI Systems of Care**

12:00PM

panel: **Alicia Rodriguez**
Parent

Cynthia Clark, AuD
Pediatric Audiologist, UVA

Jill Young, AuD
Pediatric Audiologist, INOVA Fairfax

Irene Schmalz, PhD
Liaison for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Partnership for People with Disabilities, VCU

Daphne Miller
VAEHDI Program Coordinator, VDH

Sameena Nolan
Intake Coordinator,
The Infant & Toddler Connection of Prince William

moderator: **Jacqueline Johnson**
Director of Professional Development, VCIC

CB

This presentation will provide an overview of the VA EHDI systems of care from hearing screening, diagnosis, enrollment into Intervention services, and available parent support options. This panel will provide a stepwise approach from newborn screening until diagnosis.

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FEB 14 TUESDAY

12:00PM LUNCH / Exhibitors / Poster Gallery

JR EH

1:15PM

1:15PM So How DO You Test a Newborn's Hearing? An in-depth look at outpatient hearing screenings and diagnostic testing

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speaker: **Adrienne Jackson, AuD**
Pediatric Audiologist, CHKD

This presentation will cover the goal of a repeat newborn hearing screening, the goal of diagnostic evaluations, the differences between AABR and ABR testing, what parents can do to help appointments go smoothly, and factors for success.

1:15PM Communication Options for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children

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1:45PM speakers: **Laura Yellin, EdS** **Emilie Mulholland, MEd**
Deaf Educator Deaf Educator

In this presentation, participants will learn about different communication options and will be able to give a basic explanation of communication options.

1:50PM Unilateral Hearing Loss and Impacts on the Brain

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2:20PM speakers: **Robin Bliven** **Valerie Abbott**
Dir. of Outreach Services, VSDB Learning Community Coordinator, VCU-CFI

This presentation will describe how today's research contradicts our prior understanding of how unilateral hearing loss can impact speech, language acquisition, and general childhood development. We will also share information about how unilateral hearing loss can change neurological pathways within the brain, the long-lasting impact those changes can have on a child's development, and how to discuss these facts with family members and uninformed professionals.

1:50PM Early Intervention Socio-emotional Support for Families with Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children

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2:20PM speakers: **Gregory Farber, PhD** **Susanne Wilbur, MA, MS, MSW, LCSW**
Resident in Clinical Psychology Licensed Clinical Social Worker

This presentation will cover the emotional impact on hearing parents of D/HH children when their children are first identified and diagnosed with deafness. We will also be addressing common experiences parents go through the times of processing their child's deafness and managing the resources and services provided to them. We also plan to discuss how to best provide neutral support to parents and their D/HH child through those times. Lastly, we will discuss the importance of demonstrating neutrality in providing support with language and communication access that best fits the D/HH child.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

2:25PM Overview Newborn Screening Programs in Virginia

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3:05PM

speaker: **Jennifer Macdonald, MPH, BSN, RN**
Director, Division of Child and Family Health, Virginia Department of Health

This presentation will provide an overview of the newborn screening programs in Virginia including: early hearing detection and intervention, congenital cytomegalovirus, dried blood spot, and critical congenital heart disease.

2:25PM Siblings in Natural Language Development

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3:05PM

speakers: **Judy Alonzi, MEd**
Developmental and Hearing Impaired Specialist, Infant and Toddler Connection of Virginia

Valerie Abbott
Learning Community Coordinator, VCU-CFI

This presentation will review some of the Family Guided Routines Based Intervention model methodologies and discuss ways EI providers can promote sibling involvement with families. They will also review the positive impact that siblings and young family members can contribute within diverse and under-served communities. Lessons learned in this presentation can be utilized for families choosing ASL, Cued Speech, LSL, or combinations thereof.

3:05PM Break / Exhibitors / Poster Gallery

EH

3:15PM

3:15PM Working With Children With Special Health Care Needs

CB

3:45PM

speaker: **Marcus Allen, MPH**
Program Director, CYSHCN, VDH

4:00PM EHDl Meet and Greet Reception

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5:00PM

5:00PM Adjourn for the day

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FEB 15 WEDNESDAY

8:00AM **BREAKFAST** / Registration Open / Exhibitors / Poster Gallery

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9:00AM **Welcome and Overview**

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9:15AM speaker: **Dana Yarbrough**
Associate Director, Partnership for People with Disabilities, VCU

9:15AM **Keynote Presentation: CMV Screening**

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10:15AM speaker: **Khaliah Fleming, EdD, MPH, MCHES**
Executive Director, National CMV Foundation

Congenital cytomegalovirus is the number one non genetic cause of hearing loss. This presentation will provide an overview on cCMV.

10:15AM **Coffee Break** / Exhibitors / Poster Gallery

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10:30AM

10:30AM **Panel Presentation: Overview of Targeted CMV Screening in Virginia**

CB

12:00PM panel: **Stephanie Moody-Antonio, MD** **Rebecca Levorson, MD**
Otolaryngologist, EVMS Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist, INOVA

Deepali Sanghani, MPH **Lisa Eickel**
CMV Follow-up Coordinator, VDH Parent Representative, National CMV Foundation

Leigh Emma Lion, MS
Newborn Screening Group Manager, DCLS

moderator: **Bethany Geldmaker, PhD, PNP**
Program Consultant for Early Childhood Health, VDH

This panel presentation will provide an overview of the hearing targeted CMV screening process in Virginia. This will be an overview of legislation that implemented CMV screening and a step wise approach about when and how screening is done, next steps after screening and implications of having CMV.

12:00PM **LUNCH** / Exhibitors / Poster Gallery

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1:00PM

BREAKOUT SESSION

1:00PM **Updates on Cochlear Implantation in Children: Unilateral hearing loss and CMV**

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1:30PM speaker: **Stephanie Moody Antonio, MD**
Otolaryngologist, Eastern Virginia Medical School and Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters

This presentation will discuss the latest research on expanding indications for cochlear implantation in children and the otologic management of children with congenital CMV, including longer-term prognosis for hearing and cochlear implantation.

1:00PM Deaf Mentorship Program**1:30PM**speakers: **Eric Raff**
Director, VDDHH**Lynn Odom, MS**
Community Services Manager, VDDHH

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The Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is establishing a new Deaf Mentor Program to support families with deaf and hard of hearing children from birth to ages six and beyond. This presentation will explain how it started, how the “Dream Team” worked together to make it happen, what Deaf Mentors will offer, what’s happening lately, and where it will go in the future. You will understand how Deaf Mentors interconnect with the newborn and hearing screening, early intervention, and K-12 educational services.

1:35PM Late Onset Hearing Loss/Prevalence & Risk Factors**2:05PM**speakers: **Christine Eubanks, AuD**
Pediatric Audiologist, Longwood**Valerie Abbott**
Learning Community Coordinator, VCU-CFI

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This presentation will discuss infants and young children affected by undiagnosed postnatal hearing loss and its long-term effects. We will investigate the true prevalence, risk factors, common signs of postnatal childhood hearing loss, and barriers families sometimes face in obtaining a pediatric hearing evaluation after the newborn period.

1:35PM Casual Conversations: Resources and Parent Support**2:05PM**speakers: **Irene Schmalz, PhD**
Liaison for deaf and hard of hearing, VCU**Terese Urban**
Chair, Virginia Hands & Voices

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Come join an interactive and casual conversation about supports available in Virginia for parents of deaf or hard of hearing children. Participants will learn about the Center for Family Involvement and Virginia Hands & Voices regarding parent support and the resources available to help connect and empower families.

2:10PM Vision for the Future of VA EHDI**2:30PM****Jennifer Macdonald MPH, BSN, RN**
Director, Division of Child and Family Health, VDH

CB

2:30PM End of Conference