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South Dakota Early Hearing Detection & Intervention

Hearing loss in children is more common than you think!

- When a hearing loss is identified early, a child can begin receiving intervention and experience better outcomes.
- Hearing screens can be done if a caregiver has concern about the child's hearing or the child has risk factors for hearing loss.
- There are many types of hearing loss, from mild hearing loss to complete loss of hearing, in one ear or both ears.

Signs of Hearing Loss

- Limited, poor, or no speech
- Frequently distracted
- Difficulty learning
- Fails to respond to their name
- Easily frustrated when there is a lot of background noise

Risk Factors for Hearing Loss

- Note: Many children have NO risk factors
- Has a family history of childhood hearing loss
- Stayed in the NICU
- Had infections such as meningitis or cytomegalovirus
- Was given medications that can lead to hearing loss

(Joint Committee on Infant Hearing)

If you are concerned about your child's hearing

Contact the South Dakota Services for the Deaf to schedule an appointment in Sioux Falls, Rapid City, or a mobile location for a no-cost-to-you hearing test.

sddeaf.org

Find pediatric teleaudiology sites across South Dakota.

ehdi136.com

Check out EHCI PALS to find hearing services for children.

ehdi-pals.org



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