



**Tennessee Department of Health
Newborn Hearing Screening
Hospital and Birthing Center Questionnaire**
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Name of Hospital:

Hospital Number:

Date of Evaluation:

TDH NHS staff :

Hospital Newborn Hearing Screening Contact:

Hospital staff participants:

Other participants:

A. Screening Equipment

**Yes
/No**

Comments

What method of hearing screening do you use?

What equipment manufacturer do you use?

What challenges have you experienced with the equipment?

Are you satisfied with the services you have received from the manufacturer?

If more than one nursery, do you have equipment for each area?

Is your equipment reviewed/calibrated annually by staff or manufacturer?

What is the cost of disposable supplies per infant?

B. Screening Personnel/Staff Training

**Yes
/No**

Comments

Do you have written policy and procedures for screening?

Do you have written policy and procedures for training?

Does your staff receive CEU's for training?

Does your facility contract for hearing screening services?
Example: private practice ENT, Audiologist, or an Agency specializing in hospital hearing screening

Who conducts the actual hearing screening?

C. Screening Environment	Yes /No	Comments
Do you use a designated test site?		
Do you have an alternate test site?		
Does your test site have a controlled noise level?		
Do you use a sign to indicate “screening in progress”?		
Do you have a back-up plan if equipment out of order?		
D. Screening procedure	Yes /No	Comments
Does staff have ready access to written screening procedures?		
Do you screen both ears?		
Do you use a two-step method?		
How many times do you repeat a screen before it is documented as refer? (Maximum #)		
When are infant’s screened?		
Do you have an infection control procedure for screening?		
How do you documents id test refused or test not done?		
Is outpatient testing done at this facility?		
E. Referrals	Yes /No	Comments
How do you notify parent of results?		
How do you identify infants with a risk factor for hearing loss?		
How do you provide instruction on where to obtain retest?		
Do you schedule a return appointment date for retest?		
Do you help families schedule diagnostic appointments to outside audiologic providers?		
Do you have a follow-up procedure to check back with families to make sure the infant was retested?		
Do you give parent NHS brochure “Your Baby has been Referred...”		

F. Protection of infant's and Families' Rights	Yes/ No	Comments
Are parents required to sign a consent for hearing screening?		
Are parents required to sign a medical release of information?		
Do you have a plan for non-English speaking families?		
G. Documentation and Reporting	Yes/ No	Comments
Do you have a written procedure for reporting results?		
Report on blood spot form?		
Report on Hearing Only form?		
If more than one department is involved in newborn blood spot collection and hearing screening , how do you coordinate the documentation of the results on the lab slip?		
Do you have an in-hospital documentation and tracking system?		
Do you keep a hearing screening log (include missed and refused)?		
H. Communication with Parents and Families	Yes/ No	Comments
How do you inform parents about your hearing screening program prior to delivery?		
Do you have a policy for prenatal teaching?		
Do you have a policy for in-patient teaching?		
Do you have a policy for discharge teaching?		
How do you notify the parent/caregiver of results? Circle all that apply: Written - prior to discharge (card/note/letter) Verbal - prior to discharge (nurse, screener, other) Letter - after discharge (letter to home) Phone – after discharge (call to family home) Other		
Do you advise parent/guardian of hearing loss risk factors that may indicate need for periodic retesting (even if passed first test)?		

I. Determination of Infants at Risk for progressive, late on-set, acquired Hearing Loss	Yes/ No	Comments
Do you assess each child for hearing loss risk factors?		
Do you document these?		
J. Quality Assurance	Yes/ No	Comments
What type of tracking system for monitoring and quality assurance?		
What kind of reports can you generate?		
What kind of reports would you like to have from the TDH NHS program? (By infant name, total numbers only) See below for reports that will be available from the state.		
How frequently (monthly, quarterly, annually)?		
Tennessee Newborn Hearing Screening Hospital Reports Available in September 2005		
% of infants screened during birth admission		
% of infants screened prior to one month of age (goal 95%)		
% of infants who did not pass hearing screen (goal refer rate <4%)		
% of screens reported to TN Dept. Health on blood spot form		
% of screens reported to TDH with missing/incomplete information		
% infants who received follow-up testing (re-screen or diagnostic)		
Report names of infants screened or names of infants with no screening reported.		

General Newborn Hearing Screening Program	Yes/ No	Comments
Do you use any of the following TN NHS materials?		
Your New Babies Hearing Brochure - Blue		
Your baby's Hearing Suggests a Referral Brochure - Pink		
Talking with Parents about Hearing Loss Brochure - Orange		
Why Bother Hearing Screening and Hearing Tests -Green		
Hearing Only Form - Grey		
Posters		
Would you be interested in the TN newborn Hearing Screening program provide a regional training?		
What topics would benefit your practice?		
Does your hearing screening equipment have the capability of reporting results electronically? By disk? By internet?		
Does your facility have the capability of reporting results per the Web? Electronically? Data entry		
QUESTION FOR TN Newborn Hearing Screening Program		