



Hello Pediatric Audiologists,

The Early Hearing Detection and Intervention-Pediatric Audiology Links to Services (EHDI-PALS) Directory is now ready to receive information about your facility's pediatric audiology services.

EHDI-PALS is a web-based directory and search engine designed to help parents, hospital personnel, and physicians identify pediatric audiology facilities that will meet the individual needs of a child and his or her family. Facilities listed in EHDI-PALS must have the appropriate equipment and be able to provide audiology services to evaluate and treat children who are younger than 5 years of age. Additionally, these services must be provided by licensed audiologists.

The EHDI-PALS Directory will be unveiled to the public in early spring 2013. In order to ensure that your facility's information is included in the initial launch, **please complete the 10–20 minute online survey at www.ehdi-pals.org**. Your facility's online profile will be developed from information you provide. No quality ratings are assigned. Only practices responding to the survey will be included in the Directory. You will be able to update this information as needed and will receive annual reminders to keep your information current.

If you have any questions regarding the EHDI-PALS project, please direct them to Anne Oyler at aoyler@asha.org or Winnie Chung at wchung@cdc.gov.

Many thanks for your continued service to children.

Sincerely,

EHDI-PALS Workgroup:

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

American Academy of Audiology (AAA)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Directors of Speech and Hearing Programs in State Health & Welfare Agencies (DSHPSHWA)

Hands & Voices (H&V)

Healthcare Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Joint Committee on Infant Hearing (JCIH)

National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM)

Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA), Regional Resource Center Program

University of Maine Center for Research and Evaluation