

FAMILY-FOCUSED OUTREACH
FOR INFANTS & TODDLERS
WHO ARE DEAF OR
HARD OF HEARING

SERVING CHILDREN 0-3 YEARS OLD



WHAT IS THE REGIONAL INFANT HEARING PROGRAM?

The Regional Infant Hearing Program (RIHP) has a straightforward mission: To ensure that families of deaf and hard of hearing children receive the support they need.

Available to families at no cost, RIHP:

- Enables families to feel informed and more confident in making decisions for their child
- Motivates families to be the best advocates for their child
- · Individualizes services for each family's needs
- Cooperates with other related programs such as
 Help Me Grow

How does it Work?

RIHP provides families with the ongoing support of a SKI-HI* Certified Outreach Specialist.

Support includes:

- · Home visits as needed
- Complete information on hearing, hearing loss, amplification, assistive listening devices and cochlear implants
- Impartial information on the wide variety of communication options available
- Suggestions for building communication, language and literacy skills
- Links to audiology, speech & language therapy, school programs and community resources
- · Interaction with other families
- · Opportunities to interact with the Deaf Community
- * With a 20-year history of demonstrated success, SKI-HI is a leading early intervention program for families with children who are deaf or hard of hearing

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Families with children 0-3 years old who are:

- Deaf*
- · Hard of hearing
- · Hearing children of deaf families

CONTACT RIHP

If you know of an infant or toddler who is deaf or hard of hearing, please contact RIHP:

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Early assessment, early identification, and early intervention can make all the difference in the life of a child with a hearing loss.



^{*}Including children who have a cochlear implant



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