

## Dear New Parent,

Your newborn has been screened in the hospital to determine his or her hearing ability. The results of the screening will be documented in your baby's hospital record.

A follow-up hearing screening may be necessary. Early On may be able to assist you with additional screening.

If your baby requires further specialized testing, please refer to this list. It is very important to follow up on your baby's hearing because speech and language development depend on good hearing.

This resource will tell you who is available in our community to assist with the hearing health care needs of infants and young children.



## Where do newborns receive hearing screenings?

### Hospital Programs

#### Northern Michigan Regional Health

416 Connable Ave.

Petoskey, MI 49770

231-487-4417

#### Charlevoix Area Hospital

14700 Lakeshore Dr.

Charlevoix, MI 49720

231-547-8583



### Babies 6 months or older:

Health Department of Northwest Michigan

220 W. Garfield

Charlevoix, MI 49720

Health Department of Northwest Michigan

3434 Harbor-Petoskey Rd., Suite A

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

1-800-432-4121

### Educational Information:

Early On

Char-Em Intermediate School District

08568 Mercer Blvd.

Charlevoix, MI 49720

231-582-8070

## The hearing screening is FREE.

If your baby needs ADDITIONAL care (physician visit, audiology exam), check with your insurance company to see if this is covered.

Children's Special Health Care Services may also cover the cost of additional care by a physician or audiologist. Call

**1-800-432-4121**

for more information.

### Diagnostic Sites:

Northern Michigan Regional Health

Dept. of Neurodiagnostics

416 Connable Ave.

Petoskey, MI 49770

231-487-3223

### University of Michigan Health System

Dept. of Otolaryngology

Division of Audiology

1500 E. Medical Center Dr.

TC 1404

Ann Arbor, MI 48109

734-936-8051



### Munson Medical Center

1105 6<sup>th</sup> St.

Traverse City, MI 49684

231-935-5000

## Why is it so important to screen my newborn's hearing?

Good hearing in the first year of life is critical for the development of speech, language, social, and emotional skills. New technology allows reliable, safe testing for babies as young as one day old. The screening can usually be done while the baby is asleep.



Identifying a permanent hearing loss by three months of age, and beginning early intervention and educational services by six months of age can significantly decrease the effects of hearing loss .

Help your baby  
get off to a  
sound start!

State of Michigan Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program (EDHI)

### Michigan Dept. of Community Health

Division of Family Community Health  
Children and Families Administration

3423 North Martin L. King Jr. Blvd.

PO Box 30195

Lansing, MI 48909

(517) 335-8884

[www.michigan.gov/ehdi](http://www.michigan.gov/ehdi)

### Community Resources

#### Children's Special Health Care Services

Charlevoix County Health Dept.

220 W. Garfield

Charlevoix, MI 49720

231-547-6523

#### Children's Special Health Care Services

Emmet County Health Dept.

3434 Harbor-Petoskey Rd., Suite A

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

231-347-6014

#### Early-On

Char-Em Intermediate School District

08568 Mercer Blvd.

Charlevoix, MI 49720

231-547-9947

#### Stepping Stones to School

Char-Em Intermediate School District

08568 Mercer Blvd.

Charlevoix, MI 49720

231-547-6217

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Resource Guide