



EHD State and Territorial Profiles Delaware

This profile includes information about a state or territorial EHD program related to general program information, hearing screening, re-screening and diagnostic evaluations, early intervention, and the EHD data system.

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| Category and Questions | Information |
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| General Program Information | |
| Official name of the state/territory Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHD) program | Delaware Newborn Hearing Screening Program |
| Contact for the state/territory EHD program. | Janet Stuart Director of Maternal and Child Health 417 Public Health Dover, DE 19901 (302) 741-2975 (302) 739-6617 Janet.Stuart@state.de.us |
| Legislation regarding newborn hearing screening? If yes, does the legislation mandate or provide funds for newborn hearing screening and follow-up services? | DE mandates that hearing screening be offered, and that hearing screening results be reported to the EHD program. |
| State/territory website related to infant/child hearing loss? | No |
| State/territory CDC/EHD Cooperative Agreement related to hearing screening? | No |

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| State/territory have a Maternal and Child Health Bureau Grant related to hearing screening? | Yes |
| Participate in a CDC funded research project? | No |
| Hearing Screening Information | |
| State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols for performing hearing screenings? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Primarily responsible in most hospitals for conducting in-hospital hearing screenings? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Estimated percentage of newborns that are initially screened with OAE or AABR. (Of the newborns that failed the initial screen, estimated percentage that are re-screened in the hospital with OAE or AABR.) | NICU Screening: OAE____%; AABR_____ WBN Screening: OAE____%; AABR_____ NICU Re-screening: OAE____%; AABR_____ WBN Re-screening: OAE____%; AABR_____ |
| State/territory requires parental consent for hearing screening(s) to be done at the time of birth? | Yes Legislation requires signed, informed consent in order to screen newborns for either metabolic disorders or hearing loss. |
| What happens if a baby does not pass the initial hearing screening(s)? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Birthing hospitals/facilities/providers required to report hearing screening results to the state? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| How birthing hospitals/facilities report hearing screening information to the state/territory | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Hearing screening results reported to the infant's physician? [If yes, are all results reported or only failed screening?] | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Rescreening and Diagnostic Evaluations | |

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| State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols for performing hearing re-screenings? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| State's program guidelines for helping families with third party preauthorization of re-screening or diagnostic evaluations? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols for performing diagnostic evaluations? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| State/territory EHDI program list of audiologic diagnostic centers and audiologists skilled in providing pediatric services to infants? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Number of pediatric audiologists and/or diagnostic centers on the list | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Who is responsible for scheduling appointments for outpatient hearing re-screenings? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Who is responsible for scheduling appointments for diagnostic audiologic evaluations? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| How audiologists report diagnostic audiological evaluation results to the state/territory | 40% of audiological evaluations are reported by paper form; 40% by data upload from equipment or software; and 20% by fax. |
| Guidelines and/or protocols for audiologists to report diagnostic audiological evaluation results to the state/territory? | DE does not mandate that audiological evaluations be reported to the EHDI program. DE seeks to obtain audiological evaluation data for only those children who did not pass their hearing screening, and for children with risk factors for hearing loss. |
| One or more persons on the EHDI staff who are responsible for the follow-up of families who need to return for re-screen, diagnostics, or referral to intervention? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Early Intervention | |
| Lead agency for the Part C Early Intervention Program | Department of Health and Human Services Rosanne Griff-Cabelli, Part C Coordinator rosanne.griff-cabelli@state.de.us |
| State/territory written guidelines, | <i>No information currently available</i> |

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| and/or protocols for providing intervention services for children with hearing loss? | |
| Eligibility criteria for Part C services for infants and toddlers with hearing loss | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Eligibility criteria for Part B services for preschool children with hearing loss | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Children with mild or unilateral hearing loss eligible for services under Part C or Part B? | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Other public or private programs(s) and services (other than Part C or Part B) that provide intervention services to children with hearing loss | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Services such as family support, transportation to follow-up appointments, parent to parent available to families with children with hearing loss? List. | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| Program receives information regarding whether or not a referred child is receiving Part C services or other intervention services? | Yes, at the individual child level from Part C and other EI providers. |
| Intervention programs report other information about children, such as type of intervention, developmental test scores, use of assistive devices? | No |
| EHDI Data System | |
| State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols related to the EHDI tracking system? | DE has a "Home grown" system developed by outside vendor: Natus. The DE program obtains birth certificate data for all occurrent births The DE program receives individual-level data for ALL hearing screens. |
| Type of system program uses to track hearing screening and follow-up information. . | <i>No information currently available</i> |
| State EHDI tracking system includes data items to identify infants and children with risk factors for hearing loss? | <i>No information currently available</i> |

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| <p>Unique identifier is used to identify infants/children in the state/territory EHDI tracking system</p> | <p><i>No information currently available</i></p> |
| <p>How program addresses de-duplication of screening and diagnostic evaluation data</p> | <p>DE addresses de-duplication of screening data During data entry, software checks for exact matches.</p> <p>De-duplication of diagnostic evaluation data are addressed during data entry, staff search for possible matches.</p> <p>If two records belong to the same individual, or if two records have been combined into a single record, it is possible to fix the error without re-entering the data.</p> |
| <p>EHDI system linked to or integrated with any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Blood spot card -EBC -Audiology -Early Intervention -Immunizations -Other | <p>DE has an integrated state data system (i.e., EHDI is only one piece in a larger system that includes other programs).</p> |
| <p>Other EHDI Questions</p> | |
| <p>State materials/ brochures/ protocols for parents and professionals about the EHDI program. (Link to matrix).</p> | <p>Yes</p> <p>http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/ehdi/statesclearinghouse/delaware.htm</p> |
| <p>Agencies, foundations, organizations, or other programs that provide funding for the purchase of any of the assistive devices for children with hearing loss</p> | <p><i>No information currently available</i></p> |
| <p>Statewide hearing aid loaner program for infants, toddlers, and children with hearing loss?</p> | <p><i>No information currently available</i></p> |
| <p>Resources, other than those from the state or territory, available to help families with the costs of caring for an infant, toddler, or child with a hearing loss?</p> | <p><i>No information currently available</i></p> |