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EHD State and Territorial Profiles Ohio

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
General Program Information	
Official name of the state/territory Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHD) program	Infant Hearing Program
Contact for the state/territory EHD program.	Constance Block, RN, MA Infant Hearing Program Supervisor Ohio Department of Health 246 N. High Street, 5th Floor Columbus, OH 43216-0118 614-387-1228 614-728-9163 cblock@gw.odh.state.oh.us
Legislation regarding newborn hearing screening? If yes, does the legislation mandate or provide funds for newborn hearing screening and follow-up services?	Yes <u>HB0150 ('02)</u>
State/territory website related to infant/child hearing loss?	Yes http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/ei/hear_inf/hearinf1.aspx
State/territory CDC/EHD Cooperative Agreement related to hearing screening?	No
State/territory have a Maternal	Yes

and Child Health Bureau Grant related to hearing screening?	Awarded in 2000.
Participate in a CDC funded research project?	No
Hearing Screening Information	
State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols for performing hearing screenings?	Yes The Ohio Administrative Code (Chapter 3701-40) contains rules for the law (3701.503 - 3701.509 and 3923.55 -- 3923.56) requiring universal newborn hearing screening. Each birthing hospital, free standing birthing center and children's hospital wrote a protocol for conducting UNHS. Infant Hearing Program staff at the Ohio Department of Health reviewed each institution's UNHS protocol for compliance with the rules and the law.
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?	<i>No information currently available</i>
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?	Yes Hearing Screening Results Report forms are mailed to the Ohio Department of Health, which is in the process of converting to an electronic reporting system. Reports include identification and demographic data in addition to the type of hearing screening methods used and the results.
How birthing hospitals/facilities report hearing screening information to the state/territory	Electronic forms, Paper form Converting from paper reports to electronic process in 2004
Hearing screening results reported to the infant's physician? [If yes, are all results reported or	<i>No information currently available</i>

only failed screening?]	
Rescreening and Diagnostic Evaluations	
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?	All of Ohio's 88 counties are serviced by nine grant-funded projects called the Regional Infant Hearing Programs (RIHPs). These programs assist families in connecting with audiologists and community resources to ensure early identification of hearing loss.
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	<i>No information currently available</i>
Guidelines and/or protocols for audiologists to report diagnostic audiological evaluation results to the state/territory?	<i>No information currently available</i>
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	Department of Health

Intervention Program	Debbie Cheatham, Part C Coordinator debbie.cheatham@odh.ohio.gov The RIHPs work with county Help Me Grow programs (Ohio's Part C program for birth to 3) to provide specialized early intervention services for infants and toddlers who are deaf or hard of hearing.
State/territory written guidelines, and/or protocols for providing intervention services for children with hearing loss?	<i>No information currently available</i>
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?	<i>No information currently available</i>
Intervention programs report other information about children, such as type of intervention, developmental test scores, use of assistive devices?	<i>No information currently available</i>
EHDI Data System	
State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols related to the EHDI tracking system?	<i>No information currently available</i>
Type of system program uses to	<i>No information currently available</i>

track hearing screening and follow-up information. .	
State EHDI tracking system includes data items to identify infants and children with risk factors for hearing loss?	<i>No information currently available</i>
Unique identifier is used to identify infants/children in the state/territory EHDI tracking system	<i>No information currently available</i>
How program addresses de-duplication of screening and diagnostic evaluation data	<i>No information currently available</i>
EHDI system linked to or integrated with any of the following: -Blood spot card -EBC -Audiology -Early Intervention -Immunizations -Other	<i>No information currently available</i>
Other EHDI Questions	
State materials/ brochures/ protocols for parents and professionals about the EHDI program. (Link to matrix).	Yes http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/ehdi/statesclearinghouse/ohio.htm
Agencies, foundations, organizations, or other programs that provide funding for the purchase of any of the assistive devices for children with hearing loss	<i>No information currently available</i>
Statewide hearing aid loaner program for infants, toddlers, and children with hearing loss?	<i>No information currently available</i>
Resources, other than those from the state or territory, available to help families with the costs of caring for an infant, toddler, or	<i>No information currently available</i>

child with a hearing loss?	
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