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EHDI State and Territorial Profiles Kansas

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

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Category and Questions	Information
General Program Information	
Official name of the state/territory Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) program	Sound Beginnings
Contact for the state/territory EHDI program.	Kim M. Sykes, M.A., CCC-A Coordinator Sound Beginnings Newborn Hearing Screening Program Bureau for Children, Youth, and Families 1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 220 Topeka, KS 66612-1274 (785) 296-8626 (785) 296-8626 ksykes@kdhe.state.ks.us
Legislation regarding newborn hearing screening? If yes, does the legislation mandate or provide funds for newborn hearing screening and follow-up services?	Yes Legislation was passed in 1999 and it requires all babies to be screened. DOB, Patient number, PCP; Maiden/Father Name; Pass/Refer LE/RE Equipment, date, and reason not screen are required to be reported to the state. Also requires that screening results be reported to the EHDI program.
State/territory website related to infant/child hearing loss?	Yes http://www.soundbeginnings.org/
State/territory CDC/EHDI Cooperative Agreement related to hearing screening?	No

State/territory have a Maternal and Child Health Bureau Grant related to hearing screening?	Yes Awarded in first round of 2001 grants
Participate in a CDC funded research project?	No
Hearing Screening Information	
State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols for performing hearing screenings?	Yes http://www.soundbeginnings.org/download/newborn_hearing_screening_guidelines.pdf
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 Parents are required to consent to the screen before it is done and they have the option to refuse the screening.
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	96% of individual-level screening results are received on the birth certificate; 1% on paper form; 2% by fax; 1% by mailed electronic data file.
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	

State/territory written guidelines and/or protocols for performing hearing re-screenings?	Yes http://www.soundbeginnings.org/download/newborn_hearing_screening_guidelines.pdf
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?	Yes http://www.soundbeginnings.org/download/infant_audiologic_assessment.pdf
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	99% of audiological evaluations are reported by fax; 1% by paper form.
Guidelines and/or protocols for audiologists to report diagnostic audiological evaluation results to the state/territory?	KS mandates that audiological evaluations be reported to the EHDI The KS program seeks to obtain audiological evaluation data for all occurrent births below a given age that obtain an audiological evaluation, including children with risk factors.
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 Environment Carolyn Nelson, Acting Part C Coordinator cnelson@kdhe.state.ks.us
State/territory written guidelines, and/or protocols for providing	<i>No information currently available</i>

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	KS School for the Deaf
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, on an individual child level from Part C, but not 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?	<i>No information currently available</i>
Type of system program uses to track hearing screening and follow-up information. .	KS uses commercial software: Welligent AURIS. The KS program obtains birth certificate data for all occurrent births. The KS program receives individual-level data for ALL hearing screens.
State EHDI tracking system includes data items to identify infants and children with risk factors for hearing loss?	<i>No information currently available</i>

<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>Screening data are obtained through a trusted source and assumed to be de-duplicated or free of duplicate entries.</p> <p>De-duplication of diagnostic evaluation data is 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 not 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>KS has an integrated EHDI data system (i.e., the EHDI program has a separate data system from other state programs, but contains all screening, diagnostic, service data in one system.</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/kansas.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>