

Windows of Opportunity

EARLY HEARING DETECTION AND INTERVENTION (EHDI)

One of the most amazing things your child will learn in their lifetime is language.

Early in life, a baby's brain develops quickly. This time is often called a "window of opportunity" for language learning. Most babies use their ears, eyes, and other senses to learn about the world. By watching and listening, they learn that actions and sounds have meanings and how to express what they feel and want.

Babies who are deaf and hard of hearing need immediate assistance with communication development.

Children who get communication assistance, both spoken and signed, before they are six months old can often learn language at the same pace as hearing children. Their success depends on getting timely care from family members and professionals.

Right now is your "window of opportunity" to provide your child with the language learning resources they need.



Learn about communication development and how to get the best help for your baby.



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