



Bub has hearing loss

It can be very upsetting finding out that bub has hearing loss. You may have questions about what caused it, how will hearing loss affect bub and how you can make it better?

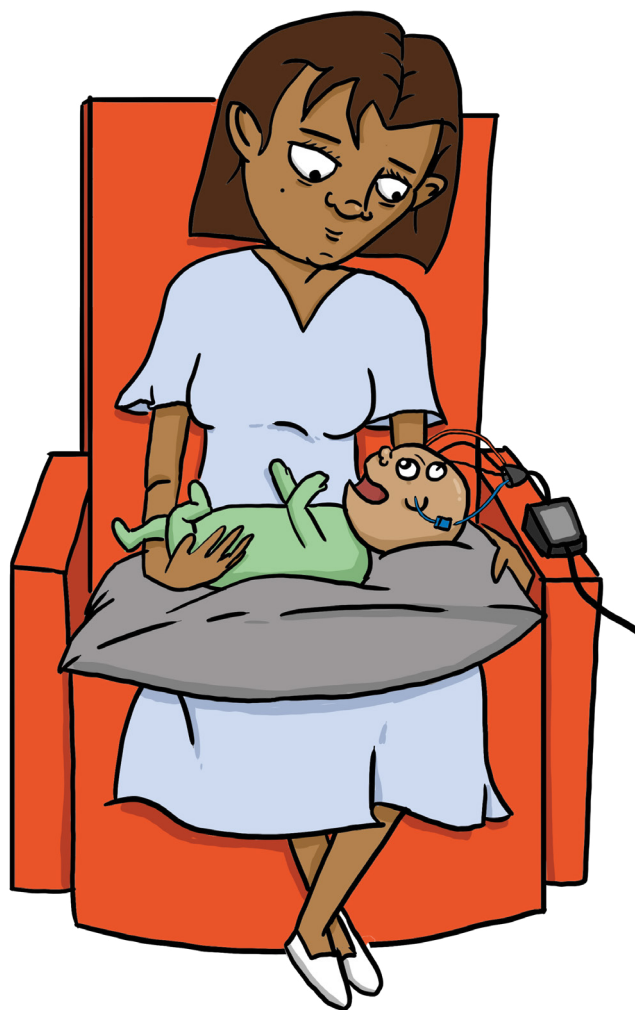
It is good to find out if bub has hearing loss early so services and support can be put in place to help as bub grows and learns through life.

Bub might have lots of appointments over the coming weeks or months, it is very **important to go to all of them** to help bub.

What happens next...

After the hearing assessment with the audiologist:

1. A support person will yarn with you about hearing loss and how we can build support to make sure your bub has the same opportunities as other children.
2. An Ear Nose and Throat (ENT) doctor will yarn with you and answer any questions you have. The ENT doctor will ask for scans of bub's ears, blood tests and other tests to find a cause for the hearing loss.
3. Bub might need hearing aid(s). You will be referred to Hearing Australia. This is a government funded agency that gives hearing aids to children.
4. Bub may be able to get support and funding from the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). Hearing Australia or Perth Children's Hospital can help you start this application.



Getting help

Getting help when bub is little will make life better for them as they grow.

Early Intervention Hearing Services are the best service to help bub and your family with hearing loss worries. Call these services below to find out how they can help.



Auditory Verbal Western Australia Home

<https://www.auditory-verbalwa.com.au/>

ph: 0400 383 202

Email: avwa_bbirch@gmail.com

School for Special Needs Sensory (SSENS)

www.ssens.wa.edu.au

ph: 08 9402 6409

Email: sensory@education.wa.edu.au

Telethon Speech & Hearing (TSH)

www.tsh.org.au

ph: 08 9387 9888

Email: speech@tsh.org.au

Helpful contacts

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in WA

www.ndis.gov.au/understanding/ndis-each-state/western-australia

ph: 1800 800 110

Wanslea

www.wanslea.asn.au/children-and-family/early-intervention-ecei/ email: ndis@wanslea.asn.au

Tel: 1300 969 645

Hearing Australia

www.hearing.com.au

Tel: 134 432

Helpful Websites

WA Foundation for Deaf Children

www.wafdc.org.au

Raising Children Network

<https://raisingchildren.net.au/for-professionals/aboriginal-torres-strait-islanders-parents>



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