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Diagnosis/symptom

Hearing Loss, Suspected or Known

Audiology Clinic –
206-987-5173

Referring provider's initial evaluation and management can include:

HISTORY:

- General
- Birth history
- Developmental
- Chronic health conditions

PHYSICAL EXAM:

- Hearing screening
- Ear exam

When to initiate referral:

- Infant or child has not passed hearing screening at birth, PCP office, or school
- Concern for hearing loss due to decreased responsiveness to sound
- Rule out hearing loss as a factor in speech delay
- Risk factor for hearing loss and no previous testing completed or need to monitor hearing
 - Family history of childhood hearing loss
 - Five days or greater in the NICU at birth
 - Treatment with potentially ototoxic medication
 - Congenital infection (CMV, herpes, toxoplasmosis, or rubella)
 - Hyperbilirubinemia requiring exchange transfusion
 - Craniofacial differences
 - Syndrome associated with hearing loss
 - Bacterial meningitis
 - Head trauma
 - Neurodegenerative disorder
 - Recurrent otitis media with effusion for at least 3 months
- Known hearing loss, child wears hearing aid or FM system and needs current assessment of hearing and/or devices

What can referring provider send?

- Previous records of test results
 - Previous audiograms
 - If known hearing loss, information about current hearing aids and/or FM system
- Developmental information
- Other chronic health conditions
- Pertinent medical records

Children's workup will likely include:

- History
- Under 6 months (corrected age)
 - Brainstem auditory evoked response
 - Evoked otoacoustic emissions
 - Middle ear function
- Over 6 months (corrected age)
 - Developmentally appropriate behavioral hearing testing
 - Middle ear function
 - Brainstem auditory evoked response if indicated
 - Evoked otoacoustic emissions if indicated
- Management of hearing devices



<p>Diagnosis/symptom</p> <p>Severe to Profound Bilateral Sensorineural Hearing Loss</p> <p>Cochlear Implant – Seattle 206-987-5118</p>	<p>Referring provider's initial evaluation and management can include:</p> <p>HISTORY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General • Birth history • Developmental • Chronic health conditions • Immunization history <p>PHYSICAL EXAM</p>	<p>When to initiate referral:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Severe to profound bilateral hearing loss • Potential need for cochlear implant • Child is a known implant user 	<p>What can referring provider send?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous records of test results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If known cochlear implant user, device and mapping information • Developmental information • Other chronic health conditions • Pertinent medical records • Complete immunization records 	<p>Children's workup will likely include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation • Evaluation for appropriateness for implant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CT • MRI • Aided audiology testing • Auditory skills evaluation • Psychosocial consultation • Medical evaluation • Potential referral for surgery
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> Urgent referral recommended for:

For cochlear implant user out of sound contact Cochlear Implant Audiologist on call through hospital operator at 206-987-2000.



<p>Diagnosis/symptom</p> <p>Permanent Bilateral Hearing Loss</p> <p>Aural Habilitation – 206-987-5118</p>	<p>Referring provider's initial evaluation and management can include:</p> <p>HISTORY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General • Birth history • Developmental • Chronic health conditions • Immunization history <p>PHYSICAL EXAM</p>	<p>When to initiate referral:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child needs assessment of listening and/or speech skills for aural habilitation 	<p>What can referring provider send?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previous records of test results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information about current hearing aids and/or FM system • Developmental information • Other chronic health conditions • Pertinent medical records 	<p>Children's workup will likely include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of auditory skills and language comprehension • Assessment of speech production • Referral for evaluation of current assistive listening devices as appropriate • Potential aural habilitation therapy
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For cochlear implant user out of sound contact Cochlear Implant Audiologist on call through hospital operator at 206-987-2000.

> Tips for an effective visit:

- Talk with your patient and family about the reason for the referral and the questions to be answered.
- Our providers appreciate having the information ahead of time; alternatively, it can be hand carried by the family.
- Provide relevant clinical notes.

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