

One simple test can make a difference for your child.



minnesota newborn screening program

About one in every 300 babies is born with a hearing loss that can be found by newborn screening. Although these babies may startle to sound, they don't have the hearing necessary for development of speech and language.

Finding these babies early and offering education, family support, and intervention before they fall behind in language development can make a big difference.

Newborn hearing screening is now mandatory in Minnesota. Screening must be done at birth and the results reported to the MDH unless the parents decline testing.

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