

# Hearing Screening Result and Follow-up Process for the Well-Baby Nursery

Hearing Screening Result (AABR or OAE)	Risk Indicator Present?	Follow-up Process
Passes in both ears	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Parent(s) receive information (oral, written, and culturally appropriate) regarding developmental milestones for auditory, speech, and language skills. In addition, parent(s) should be encouraged to return for audiologic evaluation if their child is not meeting these milestones, or if they have any concerns about their child's hearing at any point in the future.</li> </ul>
Passes in both ears	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Infant is referred and scheduled for repeat hearing screening as per the JCIH, 2007 recommendations:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At age 24-30 months for most risk factors in Appendix A</li> <li>• At age 3 months or 6 months for risk factors with an asterisk in Appendix A</li> </ul> </li> <li>✓ If infant's hearing screen is normal at age three months, a complete audiological evaluation, using visual reinforcement audiometry (VRA), should be scheduled for six months developmental age.</li> <li>✓ If follow-up screening is abnormal at three or six months, diagnostic ABR is performed as soon as feasible.</li> <li>✓ Parent(s) receive information (oral, written, and culturally appropriate) regarding developmental milestones for auditory, speech, and language skills. In addition, parent(s) should be encouraged to return for audiologic evaluation if their child is not meeting these milestones, or if they have any concerns about their child's hearing at any point in the future.</li> </ul>
Does not pass in one or both ears	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ If repeat hearing screen is abnormal for one or both ears, the infant is referred and scheduled for diagnostic audiological evaluation as soon as feasible. National standards specify complete definitive diagnostic testing needs to occur at no later than three months of age.</li> </ul>
Incomplete	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ If repeat hearing screen is abnormal for one or both ears, the infant is referred and scheduled for diagnostic audiological evaluation as soon as feasible. National standards specify complete definitive diagnostic testing needs to occur at no later than three months of age.</li> </ul>