

SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION LANGUAGE

Summary Plan Description Language: Childhood Health Promotion (Screening, Immunization, Medical Foods, and Preventive Medication)

Newborn Hearing (Screening)

Covered Screening

Hospital-based hearing screening is a covered benefit for all newborns. Newborns who are not screened in the hospital, or who require further screening, may be tested in a clinician's office. Screening may include the use of the following tests:

- Automated or semiautomated audiologic screening
- Auditory Brainstem Response (ABR)
- Otoacoustic Emissions (OAE)

Diagnostic audiological evaluation is a covered benefit for all infants and children who do not pass initial screening tests.

Initiation, Cessation, and Interval

Screening is covered for all newborns during the first 3 months of life. Additional screening is provided for at-risk children, as determined medically necessary, through age 3 years. Diagnostic audiological evaluation is covered, as medically necessary.