

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE BIRTH OF YOUR BABY!

AUDIOLOGICAL MONITORING



YOUR CHILD IS TAKING PART IN THE

## Québec Newborn Hearing Screening Program

Result and required audiological monitoring

Your child, \_\_\_\_\_,

(First name and name)

**has passed with success the hearing screening test in each ear**

on \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ . This most likely means that your child hears well.  
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### Audiological monitoring

Certain forms of deafness are not detected by the screening test or may develop during a child's early years. Certain factors increase the risk that a child could develop deafness in the years ahead. **At least one of these factors has been detected in your child.**

**To be on the safe side, it is recommended that your child be examined by an audiologist at 8 or 10 months corrected age (expected date of birth + 8 or 10 months).**

This control procedure screens for progressive or late onset hearing loss.

**Please call** the audiology department at the following hospital to make an appointment:

\_\_\_\_\_

(Monitoring Centre)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Phone number)

**To be on the safe side, it is recommended that your child be examined by an audiologist at 3 months corrected age (expected date of birth + 3 months).**

This control procedure screens for progressive or late onset hearing loss.

The diagnostic confirmation centre **will contact you** to make an appointment.

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(Diagnostic Confirmation Centre)

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(Phone number)

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## Parental monitoring

Even if your baby passed the screening test at birth, it's important to talk with your child's healthcare professional if you suspect your child isn't hearing well. Comprehensive audiological evaluations can be done at any age. If you're worried about your child's hearing, the audiological monitoring evaluation can be done earlier.

**Here are some indicators to help you monitor the development of your child's ability to communicate:**

Age	Developmental indicators for children
0 to 3 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» Startles at loud and sudden noises</li><li>» Becomes calm when a familiar voice is heard</li></ul>
3 to 6 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» Makes noises with his or her mouth</li><li>» Turns head and looks around for voices that he or she recognizes</li><li>» Likes toys that make sounds (ex.: rattles)</li></ul>
6 to 12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» Responds to own name</li><li>» Turns head and looks in the direction of recognized sounds</li><li>» Begins using babytalk (ex.: "dadada", "mamama")</li><li>» Starts to understand certain words like "no" or "bye-bye"</li></ul>
12 to 18 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» Says more and more words</li><li>» Understands simple instructions from parents</li><li>» Points to body parts or pictures in a book</li><li>» Imitates animal noises</li></ul>
18 to 24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» Reacts when spoken to from another room</li><li>» Uses about 20 words at 18 months, and 100 words at 24 months</li><li>» Starts forming short 2 or 3 word sentences</li><li>» Understands instructions like "go find..." and "show me..."</li></ul>