

UNIVERSAL NEWBORN HEARING SCREENING

It is never too early to test a baby's hearing.....The younger age means better development and language

Newborn Hearing Screening means all babies born in Alberta will be tested in hospital after birth for hearing.

Without Universal Hearing Screening [UNHS] a child's hearing loss may not be identified until 2 years old, which means language and social delays.

Early Language development is the foundation for growth of reading and writing skills and success later in life.

The screening test can be done by a nurse or technician and will say if there is a "concern or not". If concerned then, the baby will be referred to audiology at the hospital for more testing.

Agencies like, CONNECT SOCIETY, are there to help parents understand and get information about ALL options for language and growth and development for their child.

In Canada, six provinces have Universal Newborn Hearing Screening, Alberta does not.

Support Universal Newborn Hearing Screening by letting our Government know Alberta's Children deserve a chance.

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For more information you can check the National Association of the Deaf website [www.nad.org] or the Canadian Association of the Deaf website [www.cad.ca/newsevents]

