

## ABOUT NEW BORN SCREENING FOR THE HEARING

- ▶ Hearing Screening for newborns is a **simple, painless test** that can be done for infants immediately after birth or preferably within the first nine months.
- ▶ **Screening** helps detect any hearing problems, however minor if they exist which can affect the overall development of a child.
- ▶ If tested, we can be sure about the hearing abilities of the child and administer **timely ear care** to ensure their normal overall development.



## MONTFORT

**The Montfort Care Early Intervention Center** envisions a future where hearing impairment ceases to restrict a child's opportunity for success. An early intervention centre has been established with the focus on giving children the tools they need to overcome barriers created by their disability. We provide hearing related services for children below the age of six years.

**The Montfort Care Early Intervention Center** is a project under the umbrella of **The Stephen School for the Deaf and the Aphasiac Trust**. We focus on providing timely screening, assessment and treatment for children below the age of 6 years with hearing impairment.

**Get your baby's hearing tested today.**



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**TIMING – 9.00am - 3.30pm**

# CAN YOUR BABY HEAR YOU?



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**Did you know that five out of every 1000 babies are born with hearing-impairment in India?!**

Deafness is the **second most common disability at birth** in our country. Many cases go undetected and result in severe consequences on the child's development. Hearing problem if not identified early and addressed properly, also affects language, speech and educational abilities of a child.

However, with the latest medical advances, infants can now be **screened immediately** after birth and get timely remedy.

**Pay attention to your baby's babbling and cooing sounds. In case of the absence or delay of such sounds, get its hearing tested immediately.**

**It is important to pay attention to your child's speech and language development. In case of any developmental delays, get his/her hearing tested immediately.**



## CHILDREN AT HIGHER RISK



## GENERAL CARE

### DO'S

**Always breastfeed the baby with the head slightly raised.** Feeding the child in a horizontal position can lead to infection and pain in the ears.

**Be watchful of things children play with** especially things like beads, seeds, buttons, peas etc. They may put them in the ear which can damage the ear drum and lead to infections.

**Keep the baby in a calm or less noisy environment.** Sudden loud noises such as crackers, loud toys, loud speakers and gunshots can damage the ear apparatus.

**Get vaccinations done as per schedule.**

**Do all screening tests for a newborn** including for vision, hearing and metabolic activity.

**Be aware of your child's reactions and eye movements to sounds around them.**

**Seek medical help for new-born related problems** like yellow discoloration, digestive/gut problems or abnormal breathing.

### DON'T'S

**Don't insert sharp objects like hairpins, pencils, matchsticks or even earbuds in a child's ear.** It may damage the eardrum.

**Don't allow any untrained person to treat your child's ears.** Treatment from quacks or use of any oil or liquid in your child's ear can cause damage.

**Do not slap over a child's ear** this can damage the inner ear and can even tear the ear drum.