

## Audiology Services for Children at Humber River Hospital

By age...	Your child...
18 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Has a minimum of four consonant sounds (p, b, m, n, d, g, w, h)</li> <li>Points to body parts</li> <li>Consistently uses 20 or more words</li> <li>Responds with words to simple questions.</li> </ul>
24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follows two-step directions</li> <li>Has 100 to 150 words</li> <li>Says some 2- to 4-word combinations (for example, "big car", "Mommy shoe")</li> <li>Is understood by others 50 to 60% of the time.</li> </ul>
30 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses action words (such as, "laugh", "run", "drop")</li> <li>Uses words with two or more syllables; has 350+ words.</li> </ul>

**For more information or to book an appointment, please contact:**

**Audiology Department  
Humber River Hospital**

*Paediatric Outpatient Clinic  
4th floor, 1235 Wilson Ave.,  
Toronto, ON M3M 0B2*

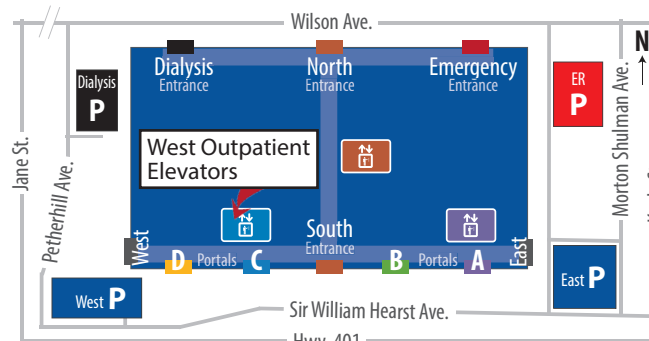
Tel: (416) 242-1000 ext. 21400

Enter the hospital through the West Entrance or Portal of Care C. Please take the West Outpatient Elevators to the 4th floor.

### How do I refer my child to this department?

To refer your child to the Audiology Department at Humber River Hospital, your doctor or other professionals in the community can fax a referral to:

**Fax: (416) 242-1095**



HUMBER RIVER HOSPITAL  
1235 Wilson Ave., Toronto, Ont., M3M 0B2

#### English

This information is important! If you have trouble reading this, ask someone to help you.

#### Italian

Queste informazioni sono importanti! Se ha difficoltà a leggere questo, chiedi aiuto a qualcuno.

#### Spanish

¡Esta información es importante! Si tiene dificultad en leer esto, pida que alguien le ayude.

HRH's Paediatric Audiology Department evaluates and identifies any difficulties in the hearing of infants and children, from ages 2 months to 18 years old\*. Our goal is to catch a child's hearing difficulties at an early age, so we can help them to avoid potential delays in their speech, language, social, emotional, psychological and/or educational development.



### What audiology services are available for my child?

We provide a full range of family-centred and evidence-based audiology services, which include:

- Special tests, such as Visual Response Audiometry, Conditioned Play Audiometry, Conventional Audiometry, Distortion Product Otoacoustic Emission testing and comprehensive middle ear testing. These tests can find out the degree and type of hearing loss.

We can only conduct the Infant Auditory Brainstem Response Test on children referred to us by the Infant Hearing Program.

- Checking and routinely monitoring hearing aids and assistive listening devices.
- Helping you complete forms for financial assistance for hearing aids.
- Talking to area schools, school boards, infant hearing program and other professionals, when necessary.

### Who can benefit from this service?

Your child can benefit from this service if there are concerns your child has:

- Speech and language delays
- Educational issues
- Developmental delays
- Repeated middle ear infections
- A decline of speech language abilities or overall development
- Suspected hearing loss
- Hearing aid prescriptions and ongoing follow-up care needs.



### What hearing milestones should my child reach in the first 2 years of life?



By age...	Your child...
3 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Startles to a loud sound</li> <li>• Is soothed by your voice</li> <li>• Cries and grunts.</li> </ul>
6 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wakes up to voices when in quiet sleep</li> <li>• Turns head to a familiar voice</li> <li>• Has a different cry for a different need.</li> </ul>
9 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responds to their name</li> <li>• Understands common words (such as "no" or "bye-bye")</li> <li>• Uses gestures</li> <li>• Reaches for items</li> <li>• Babbles.</li> </ul>
12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follows simple commands (such as "sit")</li> <li>• Combines sounds as if talking</li> <li>• Consistently uses 3 to 5 words</li> <li>• Uses gestures (for example, waves "bye-bye", shakes head "no").</li> </ul>

\* We also have audiology services for individuals over the age of 18 years old. If you would like more information, please contact us at (416) 242-1000 ext. 21400