



### **Therapy Services for Children with Hearing Aids or Baha**

The Hearing House provides early intervention services for children and their families using an Auditory-Verbal approach. Auditory-Verbal Therapy focuses on learning through listening and speaking. It is a parent-based therapy where the parent/s are educated to teach their child who has a hearing loss to listen and to speak.

Due to a private funding opportunity The Hearing House is able to increase its habilitation services to children with hearing aids or Bahas. The service will be offered free-of-charge to children under the age of 5 years, who are diagnosed with a mild to profound hearing loss in one or both ears and wear or use an assistive listening device (hearing aid/Baha).

The programme is available to Auckland based families.

Children accepted onto this programme must successfully complete an assessment to gauge eligibility. On completion of the assessment the child is either accepted onto the programme or referred back to their local provider depending on need. Children and their families are required to attend fortnightly therapy session at The Hearing House in Greenlane.

This is a needs based service and children qualify by having less than age appropriate language.

### **Age range:**

Children 0-4 years with a mild to profound hearing loss in one or both ears and wear or use an assistive listening device (hearing aid/Baha).

### **Child criteria:**

- 0-4 years
- Hearing loss in one or both ears
- Desired listening spoken language outcome
- Assessed and accepted following Hearing Aid assessment policy
- Max of 25 children.

### **Referrals welcome from:**

- Audiologist - DHB/private clinic
- ENT/ORL
- AoDC
- RTD
- Parents.

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