

Identifying Infants and Toddlers with Combined Vision and Hearing Loss

Why is it important to address vision and hearing loss as early as possible?

- Vision and hearing are critical to early and ongoing development
- What we see and hear helps us form our understanding of the world
- We learn by imitating what we see and hear
- When we see or hear something, we are motivated to move
- We gain pleasure from what we see and hear and this is motivating to us

Do you work with an infant or toddler who has both vision and hearing loss?

If you know an infant or toddler with combined vision and hearing loss, the child, their family, and service providers may qualify for support, training, and consultation from your state deaf-blind project.

What is deaf-blindness?

Although the term deaf-blind implies a complete absence of hearing and sight, it actually refers to varying degrees of vision and hearing losses. The type and severity differ from child to child. The key feature is that the combination of losses limits access to auditory and visual information.

Your State Deaf-Blind Project

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The state deaf-blind project provides state-wide technical assistance and training to teams and families of children and youth with deaf-blindness, birth through age 21.

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