

Hearing Impairment (HI) Team

What we do

- We support the specialist educational needs of **deaf and hearing impaired children and young people** in the areas of language development, listening and attention, access to education, understanding of deafness and self-advocacy
- Provide **information, advice and support** for the settings and families

Who it's for

- Children and young people **0-25** with a **diagnosed hearing loss**
- Families and settings of those children and young people

Why it's offered

- Deaf and hearing impaired children and young people have a right to support, according to their needs
- Support packages are based on **NATSIP eligibility criteria** and promoted by the **National Deaf Children's Society**

Success

- Deaf and hearing impaired children and young people have an **understanding of their deafness**, the **confidence to self-advocate** and **manage their own equipment**
- They have the **best access to education** and are supported to make progress with language and learning
- **Schools and families feel confident** to support deaf and hearing impaired children and young people effectively

Where it's offered

- In the child or young person's **home** and **education** settings
- **Employment** settings

How

- **Referral:** Families, education settings or professionals can refer. Most referrals are via the audiology department of the hospital
- **Initial contact:** The HI Team contacts the family and setting and arranges an initial visit
- **Support:** Qualified Teachers of the Deaf, Specialist Outreach workers, Deaf Instructor and additional staff offer appropriate support

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