

# HEARING SCREENING TIPS

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- Test when the baby is quiet, preferably sleeping, or at least happy, well fed and comfortable. Swaddle snugly to cut down on movement.

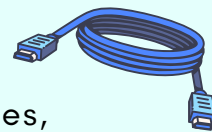


- Be aware of weight of probe tip and cable placement-make sure the cable is not pulling down causing it to close off the opening inside the ear canal.

- Check that cell phones and smart watches are not near the testing equipment-can create interferences.



- Check that your cable is not twisted or laying crisscrossed over each other-can also cause interference.



- Try not to screen when doctor is making their rounds, by loud machines, ringing telephones.

- Visually inspect ear canal for debris, such as wax, blood or vernix.

- Select the proper size ear tip after examining ear canal size and angle. Gently pull the ear up and out while inserting to open the ear canal.

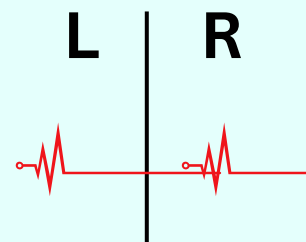


- Slowly insert the tip as far as possible so that the probe remains in place without support.

- Begin test after probe has been placed and baby has quieted.

If baby does not pass on the first try:

1. Remove probe and check the ears again for debris.
2. Replace the probe tip if it has become dirty.
3. Clean probe if necessary.
4. Reposition the probe and run the test again.



If the baby still does not pass one or both ears, it is best to wait a few hours and try again, rather than spend a lot of time on the initial test.