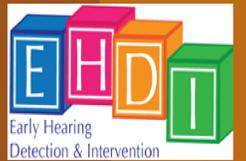


# American School for the Deaf A Walk Through Our 5 Year Plan To Support CT EHDI Initiatives



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## Introduction

The Birth to Three Program at ASD has written a 5-year strategic plan with CT EHDI.

The strategic plan will develop, implement, expand, refine and systematize statewide support for CT EHDI initiatives.

## CT EHDI and ASD will use

- data collection and analysis,
- outreach,
- education, and
- partnership-building with parents, medical providers, early intervention providers, and family-based organizations

## 5 Year Strategic Plan 1-3-6-9 Model

\* **By one month of age:** all children will have a hearing screening at birth; infants who failed their hearing screening also receive cCMV testing.

\* **By three months of age,** infants who fail their hearing screenings are evaluated by a pediatric audiologist and receive a diagnostic audiological follow-up test

\* **By six months of age,** ensure that infants diagnosed with a hearing loss are receiving early intervention services (Connecticut Office of Early Childhood's Birth to Three programs)

\* **By nine months of age,** ensure families of the deaf or hard of hearing are enrolled in family supports.

See the full 5-year roll out here!



## Why Is This Collaboration Important?

Developmental delays due to hearing loss may be lessened with the timely detection and appropriate intervention services.



## Early Intervention (2011-2020):

- 87% of infants with a hearing loss were referred to Connecticut Birth to Three (B23).
- 67% of infants referred to B23 were enrolled in services.
- 45% of hearing loss infants enrolled in B23 did so before six months.

## Literature cited

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