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Are you the parent of an infant or toddler less than three years of age who has normal hearing?

Would you be willing to assist us in learning more about language and speech development by participating in a study?

The early years of a child's life are very important for developing language. The Audiology Research Group at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) in Ottawa would like to invite you to take part in our research.

The purpose of our research is to learn more about the effects of mild forms of hearing loss on the development of young children. To support our research **we need to follow children who have passed the newborn hearing screening test.**

If your child is less than three years of age, has had a normal result on hearing screening, and at least one parent is able to communicate in English you can help us complete this important research by participating in annual assessments until your child is four years of age. Much of the information will be collected using parent questionnaires that can be completed at home.

For more information please contact our research coordinator, JoAnne Whittingham at 613-738-3907 or by e-mail at [JWhittingham@cheo.on.ca](mailto:JWhittingham@cheo.on.ca)

**Participation in this research is voluntary. Clients and Staff of AFCCS are not obligated to participate.**

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#### **Community Partners**

Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO)  
Pinecrest-Queensway Community Health Centre, Ottawa  
ErinoakKids: Centre for Treatment and Development  
Toronto Public Health Infant Hearing Program  
Infant Hearing Program- Southwest Region  
Central South Infant Hearing Program  
Rumball Family Resource Centre  
Ontario Provincial Schools Branch

