

COCHLEAR IMPLANTS FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS WITH SINGLE-SIDED DEAFNESS

We are performing a research study to learn if giving a child with single-sided deafness an implant early in life helps them hear, communicate, and learn.

Your child may be eligible to participate if:

- They are under three-years old.
- They are developing typically.
- They have a severe-to-profound hearing loss in one ear and normal hearing in the other ear.
- They have a normal auditory nerve.
- They do not have a cochlear implant.



What will be asked of you:

You will be asked to come to the Chapel Hill area for an evaluation and later for surgery. We will follow your child at our clinic for about 10 visits in Chapel Hill until they turn five. At five, we will test your child's hearing and their ability to focus, learn, communicate, integrate their senses.

What you will receive:

- A MED-EL SYNCHRONY 2 cochlear implant system, including surgery, at no cost.
- Audiology and hearing habilitation services at no cost through the end of the study.
- A brief report summarizing what we learn about your child at each visit.

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UNC-CH IRB 22-0862. The principal investigators for this study are Drs. Lisa Park and Kevin Brown.
You may contact the Institutional Review Board at 919-966-3113 or by email to IRB_subjects@unc.edu.

