



HI HOPES



Supporting Families With Deaf or Hard of Hearing Infants

The HI HOPES Programme is for families of babies with a hearing loss (mild to profound, unilateral or bilateral). We offer a family-centred approach in providing information and support that is in the best interest of the child's overall development and of the family, considering their specific circumstances and needs. This **home-based intervention** service is offered at no cost to the family until the child turns 3. For children identified after the age of 3, short term intervention is provided.

WHICH FAMILIES AND CHILDREN DO WE SUPPORT?

Children with all levels and types of hearing loss

- ⌘ Mild
- ⌘ Moderate
- ⌘ Severe
- ⌘ Profound
- ⌘ Conductive
- ⌘ Sensori-neural
- ⌘ Auditory Neuropathy
- ⌘ Unilateral/Bilateral

WE SUPPORT CHILDREN WITH ALL TYPES OF AMPLIFICATION

- ⌘ Hearing Aids
- ⌘ Cochlear implants
- ⌘ BAHA

WE ARE AN UNBIASED PROGRAMME AND SUPPORT ALL METHODS OF COMMUNICATION CHOICE

- ⌘ Oral
- ⌘ Sign Language
- ⌘ Total Communication

HI HOPES support is free whether you use private or public healthcare

WHAT DOES HI HOPES SUPPORT INVOLVE?

1. Weekly visits by an early interventionist on topics you most need and are interested in for your unique child
2. Information, articles and support for you to become your child's best advocate
3. Our weekly visits are home based at a time that is most convenient to you and is free of charge
4. We encourage a multidisciplinary approach to support your child's development
5. We will assess and monitor your child's progress every 4 months

HOW DO I ACCESS SERVICES?

► Contact: HI HOPES

National 24 hour sms/voice message – Hi-Hopes@wits.ac.za
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