

hearing loss in children

Please be aware of these common signs of **hearing loss** in children



Behaviour

- Watches what others are doing before doing it themselves
- Frequently seeks assistance from peers
- Becomes easily frustrated
- Seems socially isolated and less involved in social group activities
- OR want to be the leader and control the social situation
- May always want to sit in the same place



Responsiveness

- Doesn't respond when called
- Often misunderstands or ignores instructions
- Appears inattentive
- Responds inappropriately to questions
- Makes little or no contribution to class discussion
- May be easily distracted



Language and Communication

- Slow to learn to talk or unclear when they speak
- Watches faces/lips intently
- Asks for repetition
- Has difficulty hearing on the phone
- Finds it hard to keep up with conversation
- Complains about not being able to hear



Volume

- Talks too loudly or too quietly
- Turns up the volume of the TV, tablet or music

If you have any concerns about a child please discuss them with the child's parent or carer and consider referring to paediatric audiology via a health professional. An audiology referral form is available on the professional's resource section of the local offer on www.glosfamiliesdirectory.org.uk. The parents/carers can take this to a health professional to complete the referral process.