Behavioral Testing

Once your child is old enough, they can begin to *show* us what they are able to hear. Behavioral tests give information about hearing in each ear. The goal of these tests is to find out the softest volume your child can hear at.



Visual Reinforcement Audiometry

Visual Reinforcement Audiometry (VRA) can be done starting when your child is 6 months old until they are about 2 years of age. During VRA, sounds are presented to your child either through headphones or a loudspeaker. Your child responds by looking towards the sound. This response is encouraged by lighting up an animated toy, when your child looks to the sound.



Conditioned Play Audiometry

Conditioned Play Audiometry (CPA) can be done starting when your child is 2 years old until they are about 5 years. During CPA, sounds are presented to your child through headphones. Your child performs a game-like activity when the sound is heard. For example, every time a sound is played, your child gets to drop a block in a bucket.