

the **NCHAM A Resource Guide** for Early Hearing Detection & Intervention (EF

To ensure all infants & toddlers with hearing loss are identified as early as possible & provided with timely & appropriate audiological, educational, & medical intervention.



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elcome to eBook 2017. The National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM) is proud to sponsor this resource guide—updated and revised regularly since our initial edition in 2010. As part of the extensive collection of information resources you have come to expect from NCHAM, the eBook offers general information on a wide variety of topics intended to be helpful to new EHDI staff members, parents, students in AuD and early intervention programs, allied professionals, and of course anyone else interested in the topics. We will continue to address new topics as they arise and provide up-to-date information on those already in place.

Judging by the number of downloads and the feedback we have received, the eBook meets the goal of providing general information on topics of interest to those wanting to learn more about EHDI. Thanks to our authors, the NCHAM staff, and Deb Risk—our graphic artist—for continuing the eBook tradition of excellence.

In the acknowledgements for the 2016 eBook, we announced the publication of the Journal of Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (JEHDI)—a peer reviewed, professional journal. I am pleased to report we published two editions in 2016, and our first edition of 2017 is expected to be published in late February or early March. Readers in over 104 countries have downloaded articles from the first two editions. For those interested in reading (or submitting) articles dealing with research, standards of care, literature reviews, and other aspects of professional practice, JEHDI is a perfect choice. Free subscriptions and submission guidelines can be found at JEHDI.usu.edu.

Another important NCHAM resource are the Issue Briefs, which are devoted to specific aspects of EHDI. You can view and download them at www.infanthearing.org. The eBook, JEHDI, and Issue Briefs are the product of the support, expertise, and assistance of a large group of dedicated professionals. Please take a moment to thank our authors for their great material and the NCHAM staff under the direction of Dr. Karl White for making these publications possible. We welcome your feedback!

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