

Hearing - Audiology



What is Audiology and how can it help?

Audiology are the health professionals that can help with everything to do with hearing. Many children will find hearing difficult at some point, often when they have ear infections or heavy colds.

Some children have hearing loss because they have conditions like 'glue ear' and may need treatments, like grommets inserted in the ear, to improve hearing. Some children may have long-term or lifelong needs and audiology may be part of their longer term support helping them with hearing aids, support to manage their balance or with other specialist equipment. This is a free NHS Service.

Some children may seem forgetful, struggle to concentrate or find it difficult to follow instructions. Their hearing may be checked to make sure that isn't the issue.

How do I request help from Audiology?

Pre- school children: You can be referred by your GP / Pediatrician or Health Visitor

School Age children: can be referred by their school or GP

Who can help?

- Start with your child's teacher / SENCo, GP / pediatrician or health visitor and tell them what is worrying you. They can check a number of things to see if they can work out what your child finds difficult. They may seek further help from Audiology.
- The best thing you can do is to talk to the professionals and work together to help your child learn and develop.

Where to find out more on website:

www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk and look under Useful Information