



RIDBC Early Learning Program (HI)

Across Australia, RIDBC Early Learning Program (Hearing Impairment) provides family-centred early childhood education and related therapy services for children aged 0-8 who have significant hearing loss. Using a transdisciplinary model, RIDBC teachers and therapists work collaboratively with families to develop and deliver an individual program for each child.

Services include:

- Intensive regular individual teaching and therapy sessions
- Group sessions for children and families
- Assessment and planning services to determine the future needs of each child
- Access to a transdisciplinary team, including: speech pathologists, ENTs, psychologists, occupational therapists, specialist teachers and a range of other professionals depending on needs
- Listening and Spoken Language development
- Access to a range of communication options, including key word signing, picture communication and Australian Sign Language (Auslan)
- Courses and workshops for families
- Audiology services
- SCIC Cochlear Implant Program
- Lending library with child and parent resources
- Preschool support for children in mainstream settings



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Who can benefit?

RIDBC Early Learning Program (HI) services are available to any child who:

- Has a significant hearing loss
- Is between the ages of 0-8

No formal referral is required but documentation of the child's sensory impairment is necessary

Where can I find RIDBC Early Learning Program (HI)?

RIDBC Early Learning Programs can be accessed from many sites across Sydney and Australia;

- North Rocks
- Penrith/Glenmore Park
- Australian Hearing Hub, Macquarie University
- Miranda
- Liverpool
- Waverley
- Rouse Hill
- Gladesville
- Hunter
- Newcastle
- Gosford
- Port Macquarie
- Lismore
- Canberra
- Darwin

Families, including those living outside these areas, can access services through a combination of in-person visits and technology based sessions

How can I find out more?

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RIDBC is a registered provider with the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and BetterStart for Children with Disability initiative.

RIDBC provides quality and innovative services, to achieve the best outcomes for current and future generations of Australians with vision and/or hearing loss

