



HEALTH ADVISORY

EAR CARE

Majority of cases of Childhood Hearing Loss are due to Preventable Causes.

**IF A CHILD SHOWS THESE SIGNS,
IT COULD INDICATE AN EAR OR HEARING PROBLEM:**

Often asks you to repeat

Struggles with attention or school performance

Shows delayed speech and language development

Complains of ear pain or has ear discharge



Early diagnosis and care for children at risk of hearing loss are essential to prevent long-term impacts

Teachers and parents have a role in spotting signs of hearing loss.
Act early so no child is left behind to ear or hearing problems.

TEACHERS, HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT CHILDREN WITH HEARING LOSS?

1

Include every child in classroom activities

2

Seat the child at the front of the class, so they can hear and see you clearly

3

Encourage children with hearing aids or implants to use them consistently

4

Ensure proper lighting and face the child when speaking

5

Encourage peer support and help children express their needs confidently

6

If required, learn sign language and encourage families to learn too



WAYS TO SUPPORT A FRIEND WITH HEARING LOSS



1

Take turns when talking so your friend can follow the conversation

2

Face your friend when speaking let them see your smile

3

Help, or call for help if their hearing aids or implants is not working

4

Include your friend in play or group activities

5

Never tease or make fun of hearing loss, or hearing aids or implants

6

Learn sign language to communicate with those who use it

Support learning. Support hearing.

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