

## What do you need to get started with ConnectHear teleintervention services?

- Access to a suitable computer, laptop or other comparable technology
- A web-camera built-in or attached to a computer
- A high-speed broadband internet connection
- A commitment to an Auditory-Verbal approach for developing listening and spoken language skills
- Child's case history and any available assessment information

ConnectHear will assist families in the initial set-up and provide ongoing technical assistance for the computer and internet technology used to participate in ConnectHear.



## Auditory-Verbal Therapy services for your child – from the comfort of your own home!

Auditory-Verbal Therapy is designed to help a child with hearing loss learn to communicate using spoken language. It focuses on listening as the primary input for learning language and helps to develop the auditory centers of the brain and stimulate neurological pathways so that hearing and listening become an automatic part of the child's learning process.

Unfortunately, many children with hearing loss do not have access to a Certified Auditory-Verbal Therapist because of where they live.

But with ConnectHear, distance doesn't matter. Using the internet and a webcam, children can receive regular Auditory-Verbal therapy in their own home or school using this highly successful and proven method of teleintervention.

*"Meeting with our therapist via the internet has helped my husband and me become aware of the many ways to provide our children opportunities to speak and listen. Without the internet and this program, we would be unable to choose auditory-verbal communication as their primary communication."*

- Parent of two deaf children

## About the Center for Communication, Hearing & Deafness

For more than 80 years, the Center for Communication, Hearing & Deafness has been Wisconsin's trusted hearing and speech resource, providing specialized services to d/Deaf and hard of hearing individuals and their families.

From infants to the elderly, the Center is dedicated to helping people with hearing loss reach their fullest potential by eliminating communication and language barriers through personalized services, technology and education.



Contact us today for more information about the Center's many programs and how we can help.

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# ConnectHear

Listening & Spoken  
Language Therapy Services



**...No matter where you live**

*"I am very thankful there was something like this available!"*

- Parent of a 2 year old cochlear implant user



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## Helping children with hearing loss learn to listen and speak...no matter where they live.

ConnectHear is a nationally recognized program of the Center for Communication, Hearing & Deafness (CCHD) that can provide families the option of choosing a listening and spoken language therapy approach for their child. This program is designed to reach families who would not ordinarily have access to certified auditory-verbal professionals in their geographic region, by using computers, web-cameras and high-speed internet connections.

With proper amplification devices such as hearing aids or cochlear implants, children with all degrees of hearing loss have the potential to benefit from Auditory-Verbal Therapy and develop spoken language and communication skills.

To find out more about the CCHD ConnectHear Program and if Auditory-Verbal therapy is right for your child, call:

**414-604-2200**

or email

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### ConnectHear certified professionals...

- Are Listening and Spoken Language Specialists (LSLS)\* that help children who are deaf or hard of hearing develop spoken language and literacy primarily through listening
- Follow developmental models of audition, speech, language, cognition and communication
- Use evidence-based practices
- Strive for excellent outcomes in listening, spoken language, literacy and independence for children who are deaf or hard of hearing

*\*AG Bell Academy certifies Listening and Spoken Language Specialists with the credential of LSLS Certified Auditory-Verbal Therapist (Cert. AVT) or LSLS Certified Auditory-Verbal Educator (Cert. AVEd.)*

### ConnectHear provides the opportunity to access:

- LSLS Certified Auditory-Verbal Therapists and Educators
- LSLS Certified professionals who have extensive training and experience working with families of children of all ages from infancy through school age and with all types of hearing loss
- Ongoing guidance and support so parents can learn how to implement auditory, speech and language goals in the home
- Individualized suggested activities, resources and learning materials
- Ongoing diagnostic assessment and monitoring of progress
- Consultations with Birth-to-Three Providers, Audiologists, schools and other professionals

### ConnectHear provides professionals access to mentoring

ConnectHear certified professionals can provide observation, analysis, feedback and documentation as needed:

- For those seeking AG Bell's Listening and Spoken Language certification
- For professionals needing specific help with teaching a listening and spoken language approach to a child
- For Birth-to-Three providers, including Teachers of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and Speech-Language Pathologists
- For on-site school consultation and training

