

Dr. Elizabeth Grim

Hello! I am a Pediatric Audiologist and Owner of Little Listeners, LLC. I have been an audiologist in Oklahoma for 10 years and am passionate about early identification and intervention for children with hearing loss. I graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders from Texas Woman's University in 2009 and obtained my Doctorate in Audiology from the University of North Texas in 2014.

My special interests include infant assessment and supporting children with complex medical needs. I am proud to share that I have over 4,000 hours of experience in infant hearing assessment for Oklahoma families. Little Listeners, LLC is committed to reducing barriers to quality hearing assessment, beginning with on-site services—allow me to support your family!



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Can you hear me, little one?

Community Resources









LITTLE LISTENERS

Mobile Audiology Services



Brochure for Expecting Families

<u>Hearing System Development</u>

Baby's ear structures start to form at 19 weeks gestation and by 21 weeks, your little one's hearing system has mostly developed. While in the belly, your little one can hear, and feel, you talking! Imagine listening under water; it's a bit fuzzy, but baby will know your voice. Familiar voices, melody routines, etc. support connection and "safe space" as a newborn entering a stimulating new world.



Newborn Hearing Screening

Did you know that a hearing screening is one of three newborn screenings strongly recommended at, or near, the time of your baby's birth? The screening is non-invasive, ideally completed when your baby is in a sleepy-state, and can take 20-30 minutes.

Home, Birth Center, other Non-Hospital Delivery Speak to your birth support team, as they may have hearing screening equipment on-hand or suggest one of Oklahoma's no-cost communitu resources. Little Listeners, LLC is available to complete your baby's newborn hearing screening in a space that is most convenient for your family.

Hospital Delivery

Nursing staff or contracted hearing screeners will complete your baby's newborn hearing screening prior to discharge. A second screening may be necessary post-discharge.



Diagnostic Infant Hearing Assessment

If your baby does not pass the newborn hearing screening after two attempts, comprehensive testing with a pediatric audiologist is the most appropriate next step. This assessment is completed while your baby is sleeping naturally and ranges in duration from 1-3 hours—we are operating on baby's timeline and if they need to eat, change a diaper, be coddled, etc. This assessment, Auditory Brainstem Response, provides significant information regarding your baby's hearing ability and you are counseled regarding the results at the time of testing.

Testing can be done almost anywhere!

- In-home
- Midwifery Clinic
- Pediatrician Clinic



Travel fee may apply

As a fellow mama, I know getting out the door with an infant for the first few months, if not longer, feels like you're packing up the entire house and family! Our ability to complete assessments in-home or in a familiar community space without the stress of going to a "medical facility" for your newborn's assessment provides a sense of peace. Let's make a plan for your infant's hearing assessment that meets your family dynamic!

Early Diagnosis & Intervention (Joint Committee on Infant Hearing, 2007)

Newborn Hearing Screening completed by 1 month old

Diagnostic evaluation, and confirmation of diagnosis, completed by 3 months old

Early intervention plan inaction by 6 months old

95% of children with hearing loss are born to parents with no history of hearing loss in their family, so it can be quite surprising when a baby refers on the newborn screening! It is vital that early screening be achieved to support your child's learning journey.

On-Site Service Fees

- Newborn Hearing Screening \$75
- Diagnostic Infant Hearing Assessment \$250
- Diagnostic Pediatric Hearing Assessment \$115
- Travel Fee may apply outside of OKC metro
- Reduced fees may be available if serving multiple children/families in one setting

If you are interested in planning hearing services for your little one, please reach out... Of note, I am a fee-only service provider and do not submit to insurance at this time. I look forward to chatting with you!



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