



Pediatric Hearing Program

Nearly 2 in 1,000 babies are born each year with congenital hearing loss, making it one of the most commonly occurring birth defects (CDC). For many parents, this is further complicated by the high cost of pediatric hearing aids. We believe that no child should be denied hearing aids based on an inability to pay. For families living in Georgia, there is hope and a resource: **The Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation.**

Our Pediatric Hearing Program offers high quality, affordable access to Georgia families who are uninsured, underinsured and fall between the gaps in Medicaid, PeachCare and the federal limit for families receiving subsidies or tax credits.

Services available for pediatric hearing patients (birth-19-years-old) include:

- Up to 2 digital hearing aids, or BAHA soft band
- 12 earmolds (bilateral loss); 6 earmolds (unilateral loss)
- 9 appointments with a Lighthouse Hearing Provider
- 3-year repair warranty; 3-year loss and damage warranty

Referral Network

Patients may be referred through a speech language pathologist, an audiologist, school social workers, parents, friends, etc. Patients and their families can also download the application from the Lighthouse website: www.lionslighthouse.org/childrens-hearing-programs/.

Join our Mission

Our ability to provide hearing services for children throughout the state relies on our partner hearing providers, referral network, and our donors. Consider partnering with us to help meet the need for affordable pediatric hearing services in our state.

To learn more, contact:

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Special Thanks To:





Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation

Program Requirements

- Birth – 19 years old
- Family income up to 400% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (up to \$8,083 monthly income for a household of four)
- One parent/guardian must be a Georgia resident for at least one year
- Uninsured or insurance denial for hearing aids
- Birth certificate or valid Georgia ID card
- Must have a current audiogram (more than 3 months old)
- Must be a patient of an approved Lighthouse Foundation provider

Bringing Georgia's Youth into a World of Sound

"... Dean got his hearing aids today. Katie (the audiologist) was so sweet! She spent a lot of time making sure the devices were tuned just right and got him fitted for the special ear molds. I'm so excited for him and his new life with the ability to hear his friends, family and teachers. Truly an amazing gift!"

- Jennifer Bowle, Dean's Mother



Dean, hearing aid recipient,
pictured with Dr. Katie Kahlert,
Au.D., Northside ENT.

Funding & Partnerships

The Pediatric Hearing Program is made possible through a partnership between the Georgia Commission on Hearing, The Georgia Public Service Commission, and the advocacy group Let Georgia Hear.

With their support the Lighthouse was chosen as the model for implementation. The Pediatric Hearing Program launched January 1, 2015 and aims to serve 100 children each year.

The Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation (501c3) is the only statewide provider of comprehensive vision and hearing services for uninsured and underinsured Georgians, serving over 7,500 people of all ages each year. Through education, detection, prevention and treatment, the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation utilizes collaborative partnerships with healthcare professionals throughout the state to enable greater independence and increased quality of life for Georgians in financial need.

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PROGRAM SPECIFICATIONS

Program Requirements	
Age	Birth – 19 years old
Income	Family income up to 400% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
Residency	One parent/guardian must be a Georgia resident for at least one year
Insurance	Uninsured or insurance denial for hearing aids
Identification	Birth certificate or valid Georgia ID card
Miscellaneous	Must have a current audiogram (\leq 3 months old) Must be a patient of an approved Lighthouse Foundation provider
Program Package	
Over three year service period:	2 digital hearing aids 12 earmolds (bilateral loss); 6 earmolds (unilateral loss) 9 appointments with a pediatric provider 3-year repair warranty 3-year loss & damage warranty
Copayment Range	\$300-\$1175 per aid & program package, depending on family income No child will be denied because of inability to pay
Application Eligibility	Eligible to reapply every 3 years

FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES 2014

Effective February 10, 2014

Household Size	0-100%	101-150%	151-200%	201-250%	251-300%	301-350%	351-400%
1	\$11,670	\$17,505	\$23,340	\$29,175	\$35,010	\$40,845	\$46,680
2	15,730	23,595	31,460	39,325	47,190	55,055	62,920
3	19,790	29,685	39,580	49,475	59,370	69,265	79,160
4	23,850	35,775	47,700	59,625	71,550	83,475	95,400
5	27,910	41,865	55,820	69,775	83,730	97,685	111,640
6	31,970	47,955	63,940	79,925	95,910	111,895	127,880
7	36,030	54,045	72,060	90,075	108,090	126,105	144,120
8	40,090	60,135	80,180	100,225	120,270	140,315	160,360