

## ABSTRACT

Goals: To inform Alaska's Early Intervention/Infant Learning Program (EI/ILP) of the number of potentially eligible infants and toddlers with hearing loss and present a description of services provided.

Method: A descriptive data analysis was completed with Medicaid and EI/ILP data to provide an estimated number of children eligible for early intervention based on hearing loss.

Results: Ninety-one percent of Medicaid children with hearing loss were enrolled in early intervention programs annually. Eighty-four percent of Medicaid children with hearing loss were enrolled within 45 days of referral. Average length of time from referral to enrollment was 45 days. Fifty-four percent of Medicaid children with hearing loss were enrolled in early intervention prior to the age of 12 months. Reasons for many of the children not receiving services appear due to family choice.

Conclusion: Results suggest Alaskan Medicaid children with hearing loss are receiving timely early intervention enrollment and a variety of services.