Signs and symptoms of hearing loss in babies



Birth to 4 months

- Newborn doesn't startle at loud sounds
- As the weeks go by, doesn't respond to your voice, such as smiling, cooing or calming down



4-9 months

- Baby doesn't smile when spoken to, nor notice toys that make sounds
- May not turn her head toward familiar sounds
- Isn't making many babbling noises, doesn't seem to understand hand motions like the "bye-bye" wave



9-15 months

- Infant still isn't babbling much nor attempting to repeat simple sounds
- Doesn't use his voice to get your attention
- Doesn't respond to his name



15-24 months

- Child isn't using many simple words, and can't point to body parts when you ask
- Can't name common objects
- Doesn't listen with interests to songs, rhymes and stories
- Can't follow basic commands

Note: This is not a comprehensive list of signs and symptoms. Please consult a healthcare provider if you have any concerns about your child's hearing.