About Us

The audiologists at Children's Treatment Centre of Chatham-Kent (CTC-CK) all possess a masters or doctoral degree in the area of audiology. They are all licensed in the province of Ontario and are registered through the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario (CASLPO).

The audiology team provides diagnostic assessment and treatment for infants, children, and adults with hearing loss. They work closely with the client and client's family to determine the best steps towards effective treatment using a variety of solutions, including:

- Hearing aids
- Amplification Devices
- Assisted Listening Devices
- Counseling

Multi-disciplinary Approach

Our audiologists are part of a larger rehabilitation team at CTC-CK. They work closely with other healthcare professionals to provide a multi-disciplinary approach to our clients' communication and developmental needs.

A medical referral is not required for Audiology services at the CTC-CK.

For all general questions, information on additional resources, or to initiate a referral please contact us at 519-354-0520.



At the Children's Treatment Centre of Chatham-Kent

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Services Provided

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING

All diagnostic testing is provided at no charge through The Ministry of Children and Youth Services for children up to the age of 18. A fee will apply for those 18 and older.

- Audiological Assessment
 - Otoscopy: Assessment of the outer ear and ear drum
 - Immittance Testing: Assessment of the middle ear and auditory nerve function
 - Threshold Testing: Assessment of hearing sensitivity at a range of frequencies
 - Otoacoustic Emission Measures: Assessment of the inner ear or cochlear function
 - Speech Audiometry: Evaluation of the processing ability of various parts of the auditory system, using speech signals
- Auditory Brainstem Response Testing
 - A test to measure the auditory nerves response to sounds.
- Central auditory processing (CAP) evaluation
 - For children who are having difficulty recognizing, remembering or understanding what they hear.
 - CAP testing can be performed for any child, with normal hearing, aged 7 and over with no diagnosis of intellectual delay.
 - A referral for testing from the child's school is required.
 - Caregivers are encouraged to contact their child's school to obtain this referral, if appropriate.
- CAP testing is also available for adults through self-referral. Fees will apply.

HEARING LOSS TREATMENT

Following diagnostic assessment, if it is determined the client would benefit from amplification or an assistive listening device, a comprehensive hearing aid evaluation is completed where the following topics may be discussed.

- Hearing Aids
- Assistive Listening Devices
- Auditory Rehab
- Daily Listening Needs
- Funding options for devices including:
 - Assistive Devices Program (ADP)
 - Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD)
 - Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)
 - Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) and Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC)

INFANT HEARING PROGRAM (IHP)

The CTC is a service provider of the Ontario Infant Hearing Program (IHP) which is a province-wide program delivered through the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services. It is designed to facilitate early identification of infants with permanent hearing loss and to provide ongoing support and treatment from birth to age six.



Who are Audiologists?

Audiologists are autonomous professionals and are primary providers of hearing healthcare. They hold a Master's or Doctorate degree in audiology, complete internships, and are regulated by the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario (CASLPO), which ensures that clinicians meet stringent professional and ethical standards. Audiologists have a scope of practice defined in the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Act (1991), are included in the Regulated Health Professions Act and are entitled to perform the controlled act of prescribing a hearing aid to a hearing impaired person. Audiologists are also qualified to certify hearing impairments for both federal and provincial funding agencies.