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[00:00:00] At Early Start, we provide early intervention services for children from birth to age three. Early Start services are available to deaf and hard of hearing children and their families with services tailored to your child's developmental and language acquisition needs. In California, your infant will receive a newborn hearing screening.

[00:00:29] If your infant's hearing test is inconclusive, you'll be referred to an audiologist for an auditory brainstem response test or ABR. If the audiologist identifies your child as deaf or hard of hearing, they will refer you to LEAD-K Family Services, or a local Early Start program. These programs will help to support you and your family.

[00:00:59] Early Start services are provided through regional centers or local school districts. Deaf or hard of hearing children with additional developmental delays or disabilities, and their families, may be served by both a regional center and local school districts. The regional center and local schools will work with your family to develop an individualized family service plan or IFSP based on the goals you have for your child.

[00:01:33] The IFSP team will include your family, a service coordinator, and may include an early start teacher. LEAD-K Family Services can also provide a deaf coach and family mentor to join your IFSP team. This team will help you develop goals for your child and identify services and tools that will help you achieve those goals.

[00:02:02] We know families want the best for their children. Early Start and your IFSP team will be there for you and your child to ensure that your child thrives.