



Pre-Test Instructions

Pediatric Auditory Brainstem Response (ABR) Test

We want to share important information with you so that your child's **Auditory Brainstem Response (ABR) test** at the **Callier Center for Communication Disorders** is successful and goes smoothly.

What is an ABR test? An ABR test helps us understand your child's hearing sensitivity. It's usually done on infants or young children who can't do other hearing tests easily. The procedure is painless but involves placing small electrodes on your child's forehead and ears. We'll also put tiny earphones in their ears to record signals related to hearing.

How can you prepare?

1. **Wake your child early:** On the day of the visit, wake your child up earlier than usual. Don't let them take a nap before the appointment.
2. **No sleeping on the way:** Avoid letting your child sleep during the journey to the Callier Center.
3. **Feed your child:** Feed your child just before the appointment. Infants usually fall asleep after eating.
4. **Bring comfort items:** Pack diapers, extra bottles, pacifiers, and blankets to keep your child comfortable.
5. **Avoid lotions and oils:** Don't use baby lotion, oil, or hair products 24 hours before testing.
6. **Adult attendance:** Only bring your child to the appointment—no other children, unless accompanied by another adult.

Our dedicated clinicians are committed to providing a comfortable and inviting environment for you and your child. We understand that your time is valuable, so we aim to achieve the best results with as few visits as possible. If your little one is feeling fussy, having trouble sleeping, or tends to wiggle around, our team will do our best to adapt to their needs but sometimes the procedure might not be possible.

Occasionally, a second visit may be necessary to gather comprehensive information about your child's hearing.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated, and we eagerly anticipate assisting your child. Don't hesitate to ask any questions during the assessment and remember to follow the pre-test instructions.

Thank you for choosing us to care for your family!

Sincerely,

The Callier Center Team