The Joint Committee on Infant Hearing recommends all infants with a permanent hearing condition are enrolled in early intervention (EI) services by six months of age. In 2021, 48 infants were diagnosed with permanent hearing condition in Arkansas.

- 100% of the 48 infants referred were enrolled in EI services before 6 months of age.
- 72.9% of the 48 infants referred were enrolled in EI services before 6 months of age.
- 74.2% of the 48 infants were referred to EI services before 6 months of age.

In 2021, 73% of DHH children were enrolled in EI services. The Arkansas EHDI Program, saw an increase in EI enrollment from the previous year’s report of 53%. EHDI data from recent years consistently shows higher enrollment in Non-Part C services when compared to enrollment in Part C services. The program continued working to identify Non-Part C service providers to collect documentation of enrollment in EI services.

In 2021, the program reported 13 babies without documentation of enrollment in EI services.

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