

Audiology

Flinders Medical Centre Audiology Department conducts diagnostic hearing evaluations for patients of all ages.

- **Neonatal** (Auditory Brainstem Response (ABR) & Otoacoustic Emission (OAE))
- **Paediatric** (Visual Reinforcement Audiometry (VRA) & Play Audiometry)
- **General diagnostic hearing assessments**
- **Special Needs** Clinic for patients with developmental or physical disabilities.
- **Cochlear implant** candidacy assessment and implant management
- **Ototoxic Monitoring** (Aminoglycoside (eg high dose Amikacin/Gentamycin); Chemotherapy (Cisplatin))
- **Tinnitus** – hearing assessment, management guidance and information provision

Audiology has direct links to ENT and is able to refer directly in to ENT should it be required.

- **Note:** Neonatal ABR assessment is available via SA Health referral only

Services provided

- Tinnitus
- Neonatal
- Paediatric
- General diagnostic hearing assessments
- Special Needs Clinic
- Cochlear
- Ototoxic Monitoring

Services not provided

- Central Auditory Processing Disorder (CAPD) assessment, vestibular evaluations, hearing aid counselling/provision/ review, bone anchored hearing aids

For appointments contact Audiology

Flinders Medical Centre Fax: 8204 8941

For **URGENT** advice contact

Flinders Medical Centre Ph: 8204 5511 or 8204 5933

Triage Criteria for Referral

Category 1 Target within 2 weeks Current < 1 week	Category 2 Target within 2-6 weeks Current < 2 weeks	Category 3 Target within 3 months Current < 5 weeks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacterial Meningitis • Ototoxic Monitoring, must be prior to planned cycle of treatment wherever possible • Pre-operative assessments (where surgery is pending) • Sudden hearing loss • Head trauma involving temporal bone, cochlear or ossicular chain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hearing assessment to assist in diagnosis of a syndrome or condition • Hearing assessment where hearing loss is known to be associated with a diagnosed syndrome or condition • Neonatal hearing screening failed to pass in both ears • Full diagnostic hearing assessment where previous screening/testing suggests a possible significant or permanent hearing impairment Hearing assessment to assist access to disability or education service Children with hearing concerns (Guardianship of the Minister) • Hearing loss or tinnitus is perceived to be asymmetrical between ears 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All other referrals where hearing loss or tinnitus are a concern.

General Information to assist with referrals and the and Referral templates for FMC and RGH are available to download from the SALHN Outpatient Services website www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/SALHNoutpatients

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