



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Office of Public Health

**ADVISORY COUNCIL
FOR THE EARLY IDENTIFICATION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INFANTS**

**Friday, April 24, 2026
12:00-2:30 p.m.**

Location
Benson Tower, Suite 2024
1450 Poydras Street
New Orleans, LA 70112

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Webinar Registration Link

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- I. Call to Order – Ashley Argrave-Smith, Chair
- II. Roll Call – Susannah Boudreaux, Secretary
- III. Council membership – Susannah Boudreaux, Secretary
- IV. Mandate review – Dana Hubbard, Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Program Manager
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Approval of Agenda and Minutes (vote) – Ashley Argrave-Smith, Chair
 - a. April 2026 Agenda
 - b. January 2026 Agenda
 - c. January 2026 Minutes
 - d. October 2025 Minutes
- VII. EHDI Program Updates – EHDI Program Staff
 - a. Medicaid Billing for Audiological Services – Amanda Burkhardt, EHDI System Development
 - b. Family support – Dana Hubbard, EHDI Program Manager
 - c. Data Dissemination
 - d. Strategic Planning
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. EHDI Law – Ashley Argrave-Smith, Chair
 - b. EHDI Infrastructure
 - i. Guidelines for Working with Students Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing – Caitlyn Robinson, LDOE
 - ii. LEAD-K, Deaf Mentorship –Ivette Perez, Louisiana School for the Deaf
- Guidance, Outreach, and Language Development program
- IX. New Business
 - a. Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf, Inc. (CEASD)
– Marissa Ramos
- X. Partner Updates
- XI. Public Comment
- XII. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 24, 2026 from 12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. and will be held at Benson Tower in New Orleans.
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