



Infant Hearing Screening Page

Help & Support

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❖ State Law

- Current Louisiana law Revised Statute 46: 2261-2267 mandates that hospitals conduct hearing screening on all newborn infants before discharge and that they report the results to DHH.
- If an infant is born at one hospital and transferred to another hospital, the last hospital to which the infant is transferred should perform the hearing screening before discharge. The last hospital should also report the hearing screening results to the above address.

❖ Newborn Hearing Screening Report (NHSR) Form

- An arrangement between the Health Information Management (HIM) department and the nursery (well-baby and NICU) should be established to assure that hearing screening results are received by HIM and entered in a timely manner.

❖ Error Message

An error message will appear for the following reasons:

- Failure to check either "Yes" or "No" for the question "Was screening completed in hospital before discharge?"
- Failure to complete the "Screening Results" section if "Yes" is checked for the question "Was screening completed in hospital before discharge?"
- Failure to complete the "Reason not screened" section if "No" is checked for the question "Was screening completed in hospital before discharge?"
- Failure to check either "No risk factors were identified" or "Yes, at least one risk factor was identified"
- Failure to check risk factor(s) if "Yes, at least one risk factor was identified" is checked
- Failure to enter hearing screening test results for **BOTH** ears if "Screened" is checked
- Failure to indicate "Type of Test"
- Failure to enter "Date of Screen"

❖ Test Results

- **ONLY** the final hearing test results should be entered.
- If the birth certificate data is entered prior to receiving the NHSR form that has hearing screening results **for both ears**, the question "Was Screening Completed in Hospital Before Discharge?" should be answered as "No".

NOTE: A hearing screening *CAN* be updated up to one year from the newborn's date of birth, even if the birth certificate record has been registered.

❖ Updating Hearing Screening Results

- o Upon receiving a NHSR form with screening results:

1. Login to LEERS

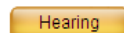
2. Click "Birth"



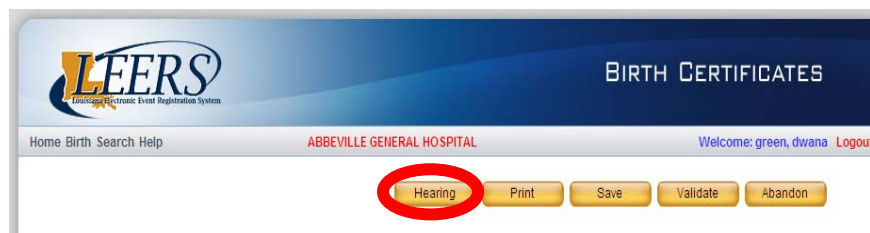
3. Click the status which describes the infant's record and click on the infant's record that you wish to update



4. Click "Hearing"



- If the status of the electronic birth certificate record is **incomplete** or **returned from state** at the time of the update, the options will be:



OR

- If the status of the electronic birth certificate record is ready to certify at the time of the update, the options will be:

The screenshot shows the LEERS (Louisiana Electronic Registration System) interface for birth certificates. The header includes the LEERS logo and the text 'BIRTH CERTIFICATES'. Below the header, there are navigation links: 'Home Birth Search Help', the hospital name 'ABBEVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL', and a user welcome message 'Welcome: green, dwana' with a 'Logout' link. The main content area displays 'The status of this record is Ready To Certify' with a 'Next' link. To the right, there are three buttons: 'Drop to Paper', 'Hearing' (circled in red), and 'Return'. Below this, there are tabs for 'Report', 'Comments', and 'Attachments'. At the bottom, there is a search bar with '1 of 1' results, a '100%' zoom level, and a 'Find | Next' button. A 'Select a format' dropdown and an 'Export' button are also visible. The footer of the page says 'Certificate of Live Birth'.

OR

- If the status of the electronic birth certificate record is registered at the time of the update, click on 'all records' and the options will be:

The screenshot shows the LEERS interface for birth certificates. The header is similar to the previous one, but the user welcome message is 'Welcome: Mickel, Jemimah C' with a 'Logout' link. The main content area displays 'The status of this record is Registered'. To the right, there is a single button labeled 'Hearing' (circled in red). Below this, there is a 'Report' tab. At the bottom, there is a search bar with '1 of 1' results, a '100%' zoom level, and a 'Find | Next' button. A 'Select a format' dropdown and an 'Export' button are also visible. The footer of the page says 'Certificate of Live Birth'.

5. Update the screening results, click "Save"  and proceed:

❖ Complete data

All sections on the NHSR form should be completed in their entirety. This includes:

- Infant's Primary Care Physician (PCP) and address upon discharge
- Screening Results or Reason not Screened
- Risk Factors
- Follow-up Appointment, if further testing needed