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Your Child, Your Choices



Do you have a child under the age
of five who has a **hearing loss**?



Your Child, Your Choices is an exciting new project for families like yours. It offers support and guidance on bringing up a deaf* child that you might find useful.

Because the National Deaf Children's Society (NDCS) believes that the family is the most important influence on a deaf child's ability to achieve, we're delivering three **free** courses:

Parenting a Deaf Child

A programme to support you to become a more confident parent. Issues covered in the course include communication, behaviour management and play.

Communication is Fun

A series of fun sessions that allow you to explore the different ways you can communicate with your child. This is the place to ask questions and talk about your experiences.

Family Sign Language Curriculum

A course to support your family to help you learn skills in how to communicate every day at home. This includes learning some British Sign Language (BSL).

These courses will take place in Greater Glasgow, Edinburgh and the Lothians, and Highland. Parents from across the whole of Scotland are welcome to attend.



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*NDCS uses the word 'deaf' to refer to all levels of hearing loss.

Other types of support for you and your deaf child

- NDCS has a large selection of free booklets and DVDs for parents with babies and young children including:
 - Communicating with your Deaf Child
 - Understanding your Child's Hearing Tests
 - You and Your Family
 - Positive Parenting (DVD)

These are available through the NDCS Freephone Helpline:
0808 800 8880

- NDCS holds a number of different weekend events for families with babies and young children who have a hearing loss. They provide an opportunity for families to come together to share their experiences and get information from experts in childhood deafness. All accommodation, meals and children's activities are free. For more information, visit www.ndcs.org.uk/whatson.
- The Parent Place website is an online forum for parents of deaf children to share questions, ideas and comments. For more information, visit www.ndcs.org.uk/parentplace.



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I'd like to **find out more** about how Your Child, Your Choices can help me.

First name

Surname

Please send me information on:

- Parenting a Deaf Child course
- Communication is Fun course
- Family Sign Language course
- Publications and DVDs
- Family weekends
- Parent Place

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Visit www.ndcs.org.uk/yourchildyourchoices for more information.

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