



## *A research study that focuses on building better support for families with kids who are deaf or hard of hearing and use hearing aids or cochlear implants*

### What is CHAMPS-DHH?

Researchers are enrolling 125 families to help learn if a strengths-based parenting support program, “The Family Check-Up,” is helpful to families with children who are deaf or hard of hearing and use hearing devices.

### Why participate?

Your participation will help us develop and evaluate a program that could help other parents with children who are deaf or hard of hearing. The results of this study may allow more families to get access to such a program in the future.

### You may be eligible if:

- You are the parent or legal guardian of a 3-6 year old child who is deaf or hard of hearing;
- Your child has worn a hearing aid, cochlear implant, or bone conduction device for at least six months;
- You are at least 18 years old;
- You are able to communicate in English or American Sign Language.

### What does participation involve?

- You and your child will be a part of the study for up to 1 ½ years.
- You will complete a set of questionnaires twice per year. Questions will ask you about you and your child, including your child’s behavior, family relationships, your well-being, and feelings about parenting.
- You and your child will participate in short tasks such as playing, talking, or drawing together once per year.
- Your child will complete speech and language assessments with a member of our research team once per year.
- About half of the families will also participate in virtual one-on-one meetings with a trained parent coach, focusing on their strengths as a parent and learning about and trying new parenting strategies.

### What else do I need to know?

- All activities will happen remotely (by video or phone call, by online survey, or by mail).
- Friendly research staff will work around your schedule! They can also help find solutions to any challenges with online connections or devices.
- All parent coaches are also parents of children who are deaf or hard of hearing.
- You will receive up to \$150 each year for completing research assessments, as well as bonuses at the end of the study for completing all assessments.
- This study is conducted by the University of Kentucky and University of Colorado in collaboration with Hands & Voices.

### For more information:

<http://ent.med.uky.edu/ent-champs>

Have the research team contact you to tell you more:

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