

*The Parent Connections  
Program provides  
emotional support  
and information for  
parents when they  
learn their child has  
a hearing loss.*



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MARYLAND

# Parent Connections

*A Program for Families  
of Young Children  
who are Deaf  
or Hard of Hearing*



 **the  
parents'place** of Maryland

# *A Program for Parents of Children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing*



- **PERSONAL SUPPORT FOR PARENTS PROVIDED BY OTHER PARENTS.**
- **CONNECTION TO RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO PARENTS.**
- **FREE SERVICE AVAILABLE TO ANY FAMILY IN MARYLAND.**
- **ALL SERVICES PROVIDED BY TRAINED PARENT MENTORS.**



## **A PROGRAM FOR PARENTS**

Learning that your child is deaf or hard of hearing can be a traumatic experience. Parents have many questions and concerns in coping with their child's needs and their own feelings. You are not alone. We have been there.

## **PARENTS HELPING PARENTS**

Personal support from another parent who has a child who is deaf or hard of hearing can be helpful in coping with many challenging experiences and feelings. Parent Mentors are available to provide support and information and have completed a training program.

## **WE CAN HELP**

If you would like to be contacted by a Parent Mentor please call the Maryland Parent Connections Program Coordinator, Cheri Dowling at 443-277-8899 or CAD800@aol.com. A Parent Mentor can contact you by phone or email. All information is kept confidential.

## **PROVIDED BY**

The Maryland Parent Connections Program is a program of The Parents' Place of Maryland. There is no cost for this service.

To be connected with a Maryland Parent Mentor please contact Cheri Dowling at 443-277-8899 or CAD800@aol.com or fill out this form and mail or fax or email.

Name

Address

City

Zip

Telephone

Email

Best day and time to call

Child's Birth Date

*Please mail to:*  
Maryland Parent Connections Program,  
c/o The Parents' Place of Maryland,  
801 Cromwell Park Drive, Suite #103,  
Glen Burnie, MD 21061  
or fax to 410 -768-0830.