

CHSWG GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS – May 2022

ABR	Auditory Brainstem Response
ANSD	Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder
ASD	Autism Spectrum Disorder
BAHA	Bone Anchored Hearing Aids
BC	Bone conduction
BCHD	Bone conduction hearing devices (also commonly called BAHAs)
BCHI	Bone-conduction hearing implants
BCIG	British Cochlear Implant Group
BCP	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole
CDC	Child Development Centre
CI	Cochlear Implant
CIC	Child in Care
CLARC	Community Learning and resource centre (Wimborne venue)
CYP	Children and young people
dB	Decibel
dBA	A-weighted decibel – scale used to approximate how the human ear hears
dBHL	Decibel hearing level – used on audiometers when measuring hearing level
DCH	Dorset County Hospital
DCHFT	Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
DDCS	Dorset Deaf Children’s Society
DHC	Dorset HealthCare NHS Foundation Trust
DNA	Did Not Attend (although Was Not Brought is now the preferred term for children and young who are not brought to clinic appointments).
EDI	Early Development Impairment
EHCP	Education, Health and Care Plan
ENT	Ear, Nose and Throat
GDD	Global Developmental Delay
HSS	Hearing Support Service
HV	Health Visitor
ICs	Integrated Care Systems
JOG	Joint Officer Group (BCP and Dorset group overseeing work of HSS and VSS)
LAC	Looked After Child (now replaced by CIC)
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
NatSIP	National Sensory Impairment Partnership
NDCS	National Deaf Children’s Society
NHSP	Newborn Hearing Screening Programme
NICE	National Institute for Health and Care Excellence
NICU	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
Non-JOG	Local authorities not part of JOG e.g., Wiltshire, Hampshire, Somerset
OAE	Oto-acoustic Emission
PCHI	Permanent Childhood Hearing Impairment
PGH	Poole General Hospital
RBH	Royal Bournemouth Hospital
SALT	Speech and Language Therapy / Therapist
SCBU	Special Care Baby Unit
SENCo	Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator
SEND	Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)
SNHL	Sensorineural Hearing Loss

TEOAE	Transient Evoked Otoacoustic Emissions – an objective hearing assessment
UHD	University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust
USAIS	University of Southampton Auditory Implant Service
VRA	Visual Response Audiometry – a type of behavioural hearing test for young children
VSS	Vision Support Service
WNB	Was Not Brought