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| Fast Facts:Children Who Are Deaf Learn to Listen and Talk at Clarke! | | |
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| **DID YOU KNOW?** |  | **A picture containing person, indoor, child, sitting  Description automatically generatedClarke Boston Programs**  Since 1995, Clarke has served approximately 1,500 children and their families in the Greater Boston and surrounding areas (including the South Shore, Cape & Islands, and Rhode Island), and currently provides services to over 200 children who are deaf or hard of hearing from birth to age 18.  **Early Intervention Program** serves children, birth to age 3 and their families   * + Coaching family members on how to best develop their child’s Listening and Spoken Language (LSL) skills, including home-based services   + Individual auditory, speech and language therapy   + Center-based Baby and Toddler Groups   **tVISIT: Telepractice Virtual Intervention Services for Infants and Toddlers Program** serves children from birth to age 3 and their families through telepractice   * Supplemental or stand-alone Early Intervention services administered over the Internet using a personal computer and videoconferencing technology   **Year-Round Early Childhood Program** serves children ages 3-8   * + Classroom curriculum focuses on the development of listening, spoken language, early literacy and cognitive, social and emotional skills.   + Individual speech therapy sessions daily   + Weekly music therapy   + Low student-to-teacher ratios   + Recently, 83% or more of Clarke students scored within the average range for children with typical hearing in expressive vocabulary, receptive language and total language (2014)   **Mainstream Program** serves children ages 3-18 in their neighborhood schools, providing the services of a mainstream teacher of the deaf and consulting services to school staff  **Buddies Linking Up Program** serves children ages 7-17 to share advice and experiences about being deaf or hard of hearing, participating in team-building activities and establishing a sense of community. Older students mentor younger students in this leadership program.  **Additional Massachusetts Offerings**  **Comprehensive Educational Evaluations (CEE)**  **Audiological Services**  **Professional Development ProgramProfessional Development Program**   * + Master’s Program in Deaf Education   + Annual Mainstream Conference and Professional Development Workshops   + Webinar Series for professionals in mainstream settings   **Summer Camp** for children with hearing loss ages 9-17 |
| * Clarke provides intensive Listening and Spoken Language (LSL) therapy and education to children with hearing loss who access sound using cochlear implants or hearing aids. |
| * Clarke serves more than 1,200 children who are deaf or hard of hearing via telepractice and at locations in:   Boston, MA  Jacksonville, FL  New York, NY  Northampton, MA  Philadelphia, PA |
| * Decades ago, 80% of children who were deaf attended special schools. Today, most attend neighborhood schools alongside peers with typical hearing. |
| * Nearly 80% of the children who are enrolled in Clarke’s Early Intervention Program by age two and who benefit from Clarke’s Preschool Program are prepared to succeed in mainstream classrooms by first grade. |
| * For more than 150 years, Clarke has been the nation’s preeminent oral school for individuals who are deaf, and a leader in providing Listening and Spoken Language (LSL) therapy and education to children with hearing loss. * Staffed by Masters level teachers of the deaf and hard of hearing and speech-language pathologists * Acoustically-treated classrooms filled with hearing assistance technology * Specially designed curriculum |