

# Organisations, programmes, and resources

A suggestion for implementing the strategy  
'Identify needs and how to provide support'  
from the Guide: [Deaf and hard of hearing](#)

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## Resource Teachers of the Deaf

Resource Teachers of the Deaf (RTDs) are specialist teachers who assess a child's needs in a classroom, one-to-one setting, or the child's home. They team up with other specialists to help teachers adapt their teaching to suit the child's needs.

RTDs work through the Deaf Education Centres.

In New Zealand, two Deaf Education Centres offer resources and support:

- [Kelston Deaf Education Centre](#) – RTD base in the North Island, north of Whakatane/Turangi/Taumarunui

Your student may also receive support from:

- [Rūaumoko Marae](#) – the Deaf marae on the grounds of Kelston Deaf Education Centre in Auckland
- [Tuawera](#) – the whare wanaka located at van Asch Deaf Education Centre in Christchurch

[Ministry of Education information](#) on Advisers on Deaf Children (AoDCs), Resource Teachers of the Deaf (RTDs), and Deaf education centres.

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## Community agencies

These organisations provide support for Deaf learners and those who are hard of hearing, as well as providing advice for teachers and families:

- ✓ [Deaf Aotearoa](#)
- ✓ [New Zealand Federation for Deaf Children](#)
- ✓ [Ministry of Health funds free hearing checks for children](#)

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## NZ Sign Language resources



### NZSL@School

Publisher: Combined Board of Trustees for van Asch & Kelston  
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### Thumbs Up! An introduction to New Zealand Sign Language

Publisher: Ministry of Education | Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga

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### Learn NZSL

Publisher: NZSL Board

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### New Zealand Sign Language dictionary

Publisher: Deaf Studies Research Unit, Victoria University of

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## Useful resources



The cochlear implant school toolkit:  
Teachers

Publisher: KDH Research & Communication

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Deaf Aotearoa's resources

Publisher: Deaf Aotearoa New Zealand | Tāngata Turi

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