

## Do you know about the Carer Allowance ( Child) ?

If you are the parent of a deaf or hearing impaired child you may be eligible for Carer Allowance ( child). Carer Allowance ( Child) is a income supplement for parents and carers who provide daily care and attention for children with a disability at home.

To be eligible, your deaf or hearing impaired child be under the age of 16 with a "45 decibels or more hearing loss in the better ear, based on a 4 frequency pure tone average (using 500, 1000, 2000 and 4000Hz);

If you are eligible, you are also entitled to receive a Health Care Card, which gives your child cheaper medicines under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).

[http://www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/payments/carers\\_allow\\_child.htm](http://www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/payments/carers_allow_child.htm)

### Annual Lump Sum Payments For Carers

#### Carer Supplement

If you receive the following either a carer allowance or carer payment for 1 July 2010, you will be paid an annual lump sum carer supplement payment after 1 July 2010.

The amount of carer supplement you receive will depend on how many people you care for and whether you share the care with another person

#### Child Disability Assistance Payment

If you are caring for a child with a disability and receive an eligible payment of carer allowance for 1 July 2010, you will also receive the child disability assistance payment of up to \$1000 for each child for whom you receive carer allowance.



*For more information about these payments , go to the Centrelink website at [www.centrelink.gov.au](http://www.centrelink.gov.au) or call 13 2717 or visit a Centrelink Customer Service Centre.*