

Critical Review: Are there linguistic advantages

RDLS was administered in the child's preferred method of communication (signed, spoken or both). The RDLS is considered to be an appropriate tool to collect data for this purpose. It is reported to have been extensively used with deaf children, and appropriate for use with a broad age range, allowing repeated measures over an extended time period. Repeated-measures analysis of variance was performed to analyze the results, with communication mode as the between subjects variable. Results that were examined were the mean age-equivalent scores at pre-implant and six-month post-implant. Results demonstrated no significant difference between expressive and receptive language scores for children enrolled in either OC or TC programs. For receptive language, the OC children achieved an average age-equivalent score of 21 months at the pre

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