Did You Know?

Over 10.000 children in the US had been identified as deafblind as of December 2020

Here are some other facts about deaf-blindness that you may not know

Deaf-Blindess is not what you think it is

People who are deaf-blind are not necesarilly fully deaf and blind, but have both of these senses affected.

The most common causes

The most common causes of Deaf-Blindness are Hereditary Syndromes, Complications of prematurity, Prenatal and Postnatal complications.

It can also lead to other disabilities

64% of deaf-blind children also have cognitive disabilities.
58% have physical dissabilities.
51% have complex healthcare needs.

Vision and hearing

About 10% of deaf-blind children are totally blind. 31% have severe to profound hearing loss.

A need for specialized education

Each deaf-blind child has different needs and requires a highly-individualized program that addresses his or her particular interests and unique ways of learning.

<u>Deaf-Blindness Overview. National Center on Deaf-Blindness</u>

For more information about deafblindness visit the following links

National Center on Deaf-Blindness- NCDB
National Family Association For Deaf-Blind
FAVI Deaf-Blind Collaborative
Hellen Keller Services

