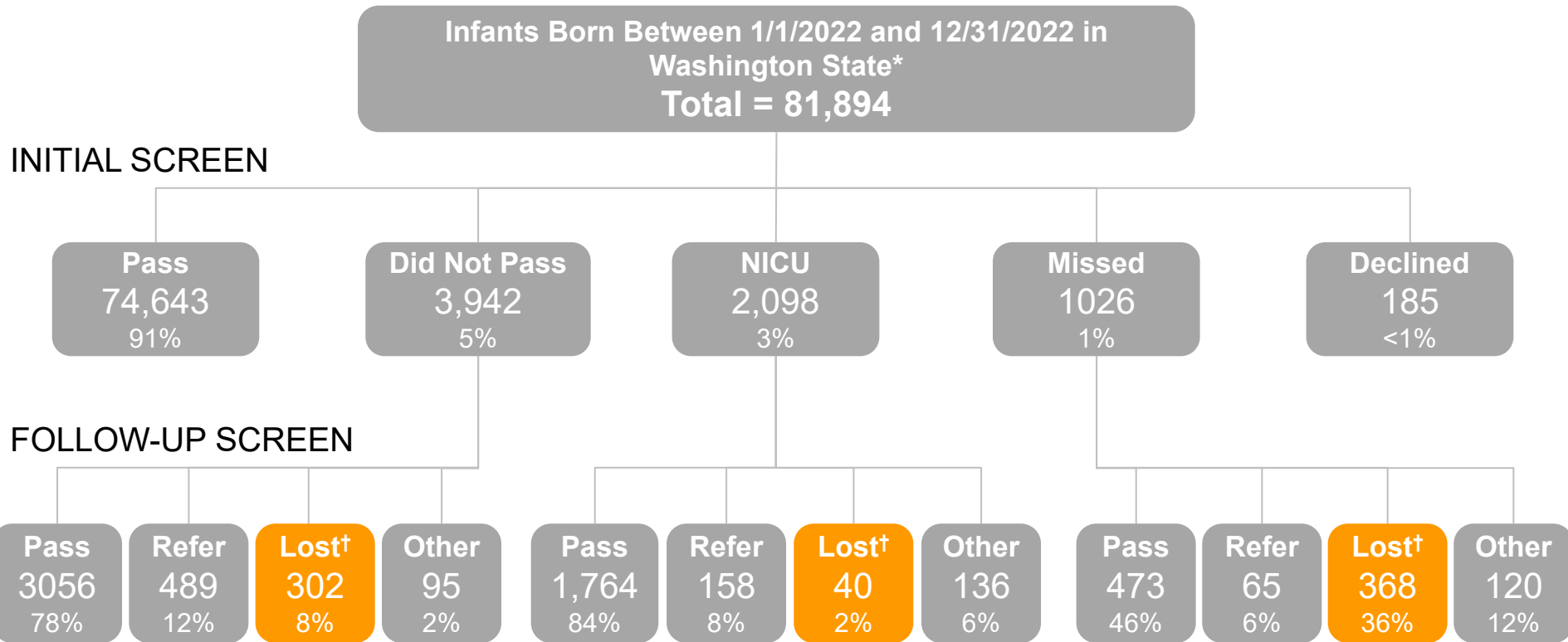


EHDDI Screening Statistics

Goal: Screen all infants for hearing loss by one month of age.

HOW WE'RE DOING: Overall success, with 95% screened by one month of age (99% screened overall). HOWEVER, some challenges remain:

- Many infants born out-of-hospital did not get hearing screens.
- 710 infants did not get needed follow-up screens.



* Excludes many infants delivered by midwives at home or in a birth center.

† Infant lost to follow-up or documentation.

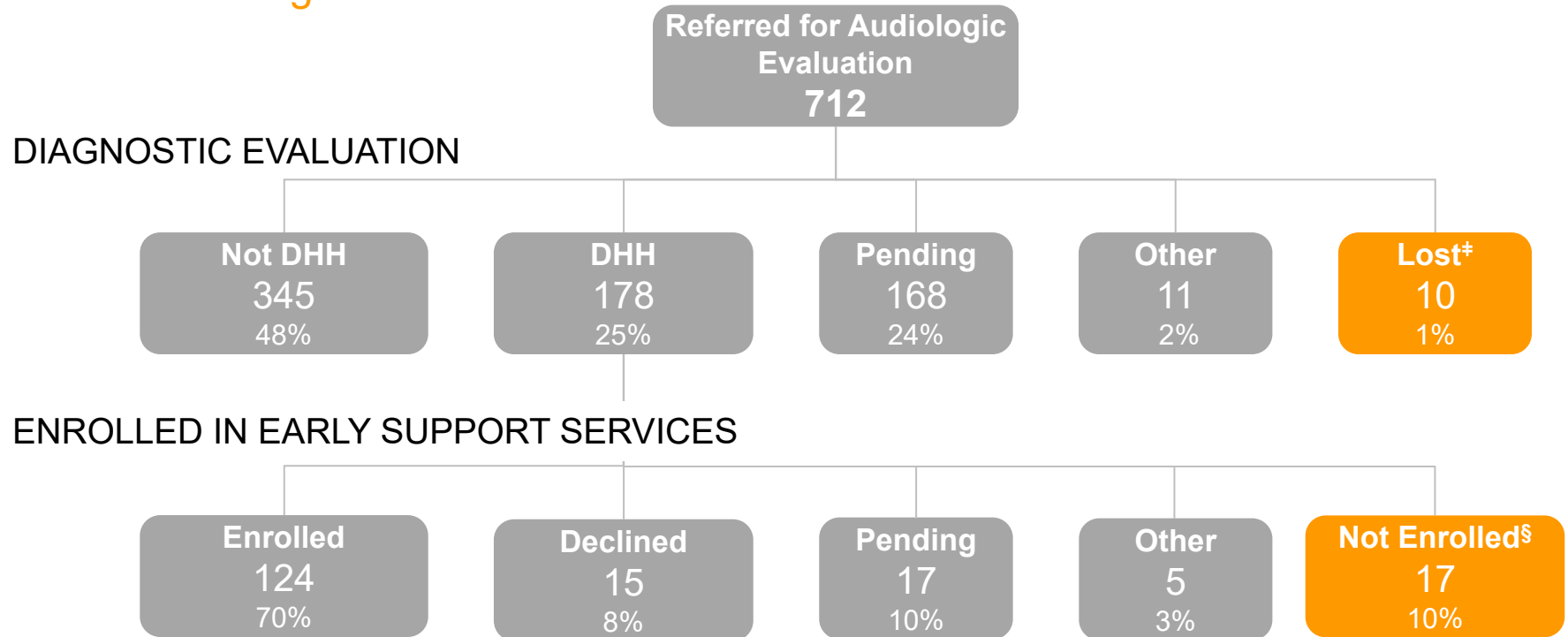
Identification and Early Support Statistics

Goal: Infants who are deaf or hard of hearing (DHH) are identified by three month of age and receive early support services by six months of age.

HOW WE'RE DOING: 178 infants were identified as DHH (2/1000 infants).

HOWEVER, challenges remain:

- Only 60% of infants were identified before 3 months of age.
- Just 50% of infants identified as DHH were enrolled in early support services by 6 months of age.



[‡] Infant did not receive a diagnostic evaluation or a conclusive diagnosis was not reported to the EHDDI program.

[§] Infant not enrolled based on EHDDI program's linkage and follow-up with Washington's Part C program.

INITIAL SCREEN

The initial newborn hearing screening performed before hospital discharge. Results of this hearing screen are generally reported to the EHDDI program on the pink hearing screen card associated with the Newborn Screening blood spot card.

FOLLOW-UP SCREEN

The hearing screening results reported after an initial missed, delayed (infants who are in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) for an extended time), or not passing hearing screen. These results are generally reported to the EHDDI program on blue rescreen cards. Initial and follow-up newborn hearing screens should be done before one month of age. Infants who do not pass their initial and follow-up hearing screening should be referred to a pediatric audiologist for a diagnostic evaluation.

DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION

The diagnostic evaluation results. Infants who do not pass newborn hearing screening(s) should have an audiologic evaluation no later than three months of age. According to national estimates, 1-3 of every 1000 infants are born deaf or hard of hearing (DHH).

DHH category includes unilateral and bilateral hearing losses of:

- Slight, mild, moderate, severe, or profound degree
- Sensorineural, conductive-permanent, mixed, neural, or unspecified type

No DHH category includes infants who have no hearing loss or a fluctuating conductive loss

ENROLLED IN PART C EARLY SUPPORT SERVICES

The Part C early support enrollment status. Infants who are DHH should be enrolled in early support services by six months of age. The EHDDI program obtains early support services information through its electronic linkage and follow-up with Washington State's Part C program, the Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) program.

DEFINITION OF 'OTHER' CATEGORY

Other category includes infants:

- Whose parents declined further screening or diagnostic testing.
- Who are deceased.
- Whose case is still pending in the EHDDI system because we are waiting for pending hearing screening results.
- Who were are unable to receive testing due to medical reasons.
- Who are non-residents or moved out-of-state.
- Who were not eligible for Part C services.