



AUDIOLOGICAL SERVICES REFERRAL GUIDE

SYMPTOMS	POSSIBLE CAUSES	RECOMMENDED AUDIOLOGICAL TESTS
Aural Pressure/Fullness	Eustachian tube dysfunction Hearing loss	Oto-acoustic immittance/Tympanogram Comprehensive audiological evaluation
Failed Newborn Screening	Vernix, middle ear effusion, collapsed canal Hereditary, prenatal or perinatal hearing loss	OAE (OtoAcoustic Emissions) Oto-acoustic immittance/Tympanogram
Hearing Loss – chronic	Noise exposure Hereditary/Aging	Comprehensive audiological evaluation Hearing aid evaluation
Hearing Loss – poor discrimination	High frequency hearing loss Auditory Processing Disorder	Comprehensive audiological evaluation SCAN and TAPS – auditory processing tests
Hearing Loss – sudden/fluctuating (Patient should be evaluated immediately) CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT TODAY	Serous Otitis Media Autoimmune disease for the inner ear Meniere’s Syndrome Acoustic trauma Antibiotic/Chemotherapy Acoustic Neuroma Perilymph Fistula	Comprehensive audiological evaluation Serial audiograms
Tinnitus – Ringing or head noises	Acoustic trauma Hearing loss (Conductive or Sensorineural) Side effect from medication	Comprehensive audiological evaluation Serial audiograms
Difficulty Learning in School	Auditory Processing Disorder	SCAN and TAPS – auditory processing tests
Speech & Language Delay	Hearing loss (Conductive or Sensorineural)	Comprehensive audiological evaluation
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