

MEMBERS OF INDEPENDENT AUDIOLOGISTS AUSTRALIA OFFER:

- Clinical continuity and community engagement from an Audiologist who lives and works in your community.
- Patient centred care which is evidence based and represents best practice within a health care model.
- Integrated care across the lifespan as part of the primary care team.
- Service from an Audiologist who abides by a stringent code of ethics and continuously educates and upgrades their skills and knowledge.
- Rehabilitation options that are offered, discussed and decided with your patient and their family.
- Intervention that incorporates technological (hearing and listening devices) and non-technological interventions (counselling and communication training).



FUNDING FOR INDEPENDENT AUDIOLOGY SERVICES?

- Medicare rebates (when requested by General Practitioners under the Chronic Disease Management scheme or by ENT specialists, neurologists or paediatricians). Gap fees may apply.
- Private health insurers (depending on individual circumstances).
- Office of Hearing Services for eligible pensioners and veterans.
- WorkCover and WorkSafe schemes.
- National Disability Insurance Scheme.

Eligibility for each of these funding schemes and other costs can be discussed with your local member of Independent Audiologists Australia.

Members of Independent Audiologists Australia are located in all states and territories of Australia.

Family focussed audiology care for your patients is here.

We are independent Audiologists who offer ethical solutions for social and communication difficulties arising from hearing and balance disorders.



Visit: independentaudiologists.net.au
to find your local member of IAA.

TREATMENT IS AVAILABLE AT LOCALLY OWNED, ETHICAL AUDIOLOGY PRACTICES.

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Need an audiologist?

All patients (any age) should consult an audiologist if they experience one or more of the following difficulties:

- Hearing in quiet and/or noise
- Listening, remembering or paying attention in conversations
- Balance disorders
- Tinnitus
- Poor sound tolerance
- Delayed speech or language
- Classroom/ learning difficulties
- Medico-legal hearing concerns
- Frequent or recurrent ear infections
- Difficulty adjusting to hearing aids or hearing loss
- Difficulty accepting hearing difficulties
- Sudden changes to hearing
- Family concern or frustration related to hearing and communication.

DID YOU KNOW?

Audiologists offer rehabilitation for the social consequences of hearing loss

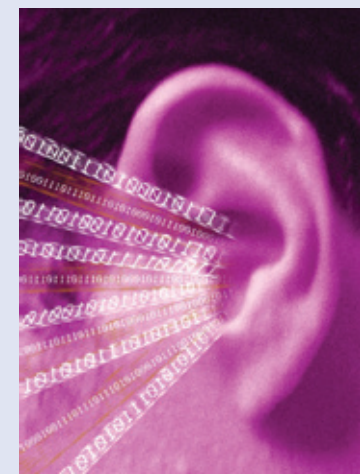
Audiologists understand that hearing and balance disorders can impact an individual's social and emotional wellbeing. Hearing devices are only prescribed on the basis of demonstrated clinical need and patient readiness as part of a focussed family-centred communication treatment plan.

Hearing aids may require a process of supported adjustment before full benefit is achieved

Whether hearing devices are worn externally or implanted, the sounds transmitted need to be recognised and filtered in the brain. So, adjustment and adaption to hearing devices may need careful guidance and monitoring by an audiologist in order to achieve optimal results. Successful communication can be achieved when hearing devices are used in conjunction with appropriate communication strategies and support.

Ignoring hearing loss can be detrimental to health and quality of life

Hearing is essential to wellbeing because it keeps us socially connected – an important factor in reducing the incidence of dementia, hospital admissions and nursing home placements. Holistic audiological care ensures communication is maintained within families and communities and is an essential component of primary healthcare.



Independent audiologists deliver services that are integrated with other aspects of healthcare as they prevent, assess and treat hearing and balance disorders using non-medical interventions.

REFER YOUR PATIENTS TO AUDIOLOGY CLINICS THAT ARE ETHICAL, LOCALLY OWNED AND PROFESSIONALLY QUALIFIED

QUALITY

AUDIOLOGY INTEGRATED WITH HEALTHCARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF INDIVIDUALS, THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR COMMUNITIES

INTEGRITY

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CLINICS OWNED AND RUN WITH INTEGRITY BY LOCAL AUDIOLOGISTS