

# ABBREVIATED PROFILE OF HEARING AID BENEFIT

## FORM A

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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### EXAMPLE

For some items, an answer of "Always (99%)" indicates few problems. Other items are written so that an answer of "Always (99%)" indicates a lot of problems. Here is an example. In item (a), below, an answer of "Always (99%)" means that you often have problems. In item (b), below, the same answer means that you seldom have problems.

		Without Hearing Aids	With Hearing Aids
(a)	When I'm talking with a friend outdoors on a windy day, <i>I miss a lot of the conversation.</i>	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
(b)	When I am in a meeting with several other people, <i>I can comprehend speech.</i>	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G

**Please begin answering the questions on the next page**

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2.	I miss a lot of information when I'm listening to a lecture.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
3.	Unexpected sounds, like a smoke detector or alarm bell are uncomfortable.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
4.	I have difficulty hearing a conversation when I'm with one of my family at home.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
5.	I have trouble understanding the dialogue in a movie or at the theater.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
6.	When I am listening to the news on the car radio, and family members are talking, I have trouble hearing the news.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
7.	When I'm at the dinner table with several people, and am trying to have a conversation with one person, understanding speech is difficult.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
8.	Traffic noises are too loud.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
9.	When I am talking with someone across a large empty room, I understand the words.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
10.	When I am in a small office, interviewing or answering questions, I have difficulty following the conversation.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G

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11.	When I am in a theater watching a movie or play, and the people around me are whispering and rustling paper wrappers, I can still make out the dialogue.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
12.	When I am having a quiet conversation with a friend, I have difficulty understanding.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
13.	The sounds of running water, such as a toilet or shower, are uncomfortably loud.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
14.	When a speaker is addressing a small group, and everyone is listening quietly, I have to strain to understand.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
15.	When I'm in a quiet conversation with my doctor in an examination room, it is hard to follow the conversation.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
16.	I can understand conversations even when several people are talking.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
17.	The sounds of construction work are uncomfortably loud.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
18.	It's hard for me to understand what is being said at lectures or church services.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
19.	I can communicate with others when we are in a crowd.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G

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20.	The sound of a fire engine siren close by is so loud that I need to cover my ears.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
21.	I can follow the words of a sermon when listening to a religious service.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
22.	The sound of screeching tires is uncomfortably loud.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
23.	I have to ask people to repeat themselves in one-on-one conversation in a quiet room.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G
24.	I have trouble understanding others when an air conditioner or fan is on.	A B C D E F G	A B C D E F G

*Please fill out these additional items.*

<b>HEARING AID EXPERIENCE:</b>	<b>DAILY HEARING AID USE:</b>	<b>DEGREE OF HEARING DIFFICULTY (without wearing a hearing aid):</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Less than 6 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 6 weeks to 11 months <input type="checkbox"/> 1 to 10 years <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 years	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Less than 1 hour per day <input type="checkbox"/> 1 to 4 hours per day <input type="checkbox"/> 4 to 8 hours per day <input type="checkbox"/> 8 to 16 hours per day	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Mild <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Moderately-Severe <input type="checkbox"/> Severe

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