

AUDITORY THERAPY IS RETURNING MARCH 2021

TRAINING YOUR BRAIN TO LISTEN

What is Auditory Therapy?

Auditory therapy involves a language evaluation by a Speech Language Pathologist followed by a defined number of therapy sessions. The therapy focuses on improving listening skills in difficult listening environments and improves working memory for words and language. Additionally, patients learn a variety of communication strategies to apply in different communication environments. All of these new skills combine to improve your ability to understand and communicate.

What kind of results can I expect from completing auditory therapy?

The average patient is able to improve their word comprehension and understanding by 40% or more after completing therapy. Most patients report a significant improvement in understanding speech.

I already have hearing aids, is this for me?

Absolutely! Hearing aids are a significant help to patients, but the brain still needs the therapy to develop the neurological pathways that will enhance understanding.

I do not have hearing aids, is this for me?

Absolutely! Listening is a skill that requires training and effort. It can never hurt you to work your brain-it can only help you to be a better listener.

Is Auditory Therapy covered by Medicare and other insurances?

Yes. Auditory Therapy is covered by Medicare and many other insurances, depending on the plan.

This sounds interesting. How do I learn more?

Call the Americans for Better Hearing Foundation at **630-321-3555** to get on the list for an appointment with our Speech Language Pathologist.

Our mission is to provide the most comprehensive and efficient audiology services possible. We are concerned about individuals who have:

Undiagnosed hearing loss

Untreated hearing loss

Auditory needs that require more than hearing aids to be successful

Did you know a study was done by the National Council on Aging and that determined Adults with untreated hearing loss were more likely to report:

Depression, Anxiety, and Paranoia

Were less likely to participate in organized social activities

Were more likely to develop Alzheimer's Disease

Do we lose our hearing as we age? YES

At the age of 60 approximately 33% of the population has hearing loss

At the age of 70 approximately 67% has hearing loss

At the age of 80 and older the hearing loss approaches 100%

The loss is greater for those who worked in high noise environments and did not protect their hearing