

# HEARING AID RESOURCES

FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE NEW JERSEY (NJ) HEARING AID PROJECT, LISTED BELOW ARE ADDITIONAL HEARING AID RESOURCES TO CONSIDER.

## NJ RESOURCES

### GRACE'S LAW

- Applies to all NJ fully insured, individual plans, the State Health Benefits Plan (SHBP), NJ FamilyCare, and small and large group plans. Requires carriers to provide benefits for medically necessary expenses incurred in the purchase of a hearing aid or cochlear implant.
- SHBP maintains an age limit up to twenty-one (21) years old for hearing aid benefits.
- Coverage applies to any covered person with benefits limited to one (1) hearing aid for each hearing-impaired ear every twenty-four (24) months.
- Coverage for cochlear implants includes initial implants, implementation and costs for parts, attachments or accessories as well as replacement of obsolete external cochlear implant processors.

**(609) 292-7272**

[Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing | Grace's Law](#)

[Bulletin No. 24-16 - Coverage for Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants](#)

### Hearing Aid Assistance for the Aged and Disabled (HAAAD)

- HAAAD offers reimbursement to offset the cost of hearing aids. Provides up to a \$500 reimbursement to offset the purchase of one (1) hearing aid, or up to \$1,000 for two (2) hearing aids.

**(800) 792-9745**

[Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing | Hearing Aid Assistance for the Aged and Disabled](#)

### NJ Medicaid

- Hearing aids are covered by Medicaid and various NJ Family Care plans with exception of Plan D. Pays for the cost of two (2) hearing aids and cochlear implants.

**1 (800) 701-0710**

[New Jersey Family Care for Aged, Blind, and Disabled](#)



## NJ Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

- Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing receive specialized career services designed to help them prepare for, obtain, and maintain employment. Eligible individuals may also benefit from financial assistance with hearing aids and cochlear implant replacement or upgrades.

**1 (866) 871-7867**

[Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services](#)

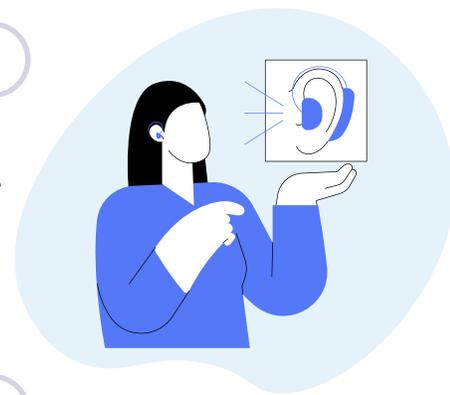
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## CHILDREN

### NJ Department of Health

- Financial Assistance Program/Hearing Aid Financial Assistance
  - Financial Assistance for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) in New Jersey who are uninsured or underinsured and cannot afford to purchase medically necessary items.

[Department of Health | Special Needs | CMU Contacts by County](#)



### The Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund

- A financial assistance program for NJ families whose children have an illness or condition otherwise uncovered by insurance, state or federal programs, or other source, such as fundraising. The Fund is intended to assist in preserving a family's ability to cope with the responsibilities which accompany a child's significant health problems.

**(800) 335-3863**

[Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund](#)

## NATIONAL RESOURCES

### Help America Hear

- Provides new high quality hearing aids nationwide to men, women, and children with limited financial resources and as a last resort.

**(888) 580-8886**

[info@helpamericahear.org](mailto:info@helpamericahear.org)

[Help America Hear Program | Providing Access to Hearing Aids and Resources](#)  
[— Help America Hear](#)

## Lions Club

- Lions International mission is to help combat vision impairment and blindness as well as providing medical care and education to help prevent hearing loss. The best way for an individual to receive hearing aid assistance from Lions International is to get in contact with a local Lions club or a district the individual's area. To receive eyeglasses or hearing aids assistance from Lions International, contact a local Lions club or district. Please use the Club Locator to find a local club.

**(630) 571-5466**

[Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids Recycling | Lions Clubs International](#)

## VETERANS

### New Jersey Department of Military and Veteran Affairs (NJDMAVA)

- Active-duty service members and family members can receive hearing aids and hearing aid services through TRICARE if the individual meets the specific hearing criteria:
  - Adults with: Hearing threshold of at least 40 dB HL in one or both ears when tested at 500, 1,000, 1,500, 2,000, 3,000, or 4,000Hz; or hearing threshold of at least 26 dB HL in one or both ears at any three or more of those frequencies; or speech recognition score less than 94%.
  - Children with: Hearing threshold level of at least 26dB HL in one or both ears when tested at 500, 1,000, 2,000, 3,000, or 4,000Hz.

**1 (888) 865-8387**

[vbb@dmava.nj.gov](mailto:vbb@dmava.nj.gov)

[www.nj.gov/military/veterans](http://www.nj.gov/military/veterans)

[NJ Veterans Benefits Guide.pdf](#)



### U.S Department of Veteran Affairs

- Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Audiology Services
  - Hearing aids are included in VA benefits. VHA standard practice is that any Veteran enrolled and eligible for care is eligible for hearing aids. There are no administrative barriers to access hearing healthcare or hearing aids for enrolled Veterans.

[www.prosthetics.va.gov/audiology/docs/VA-Hearing-Aids-Fact-Sheet.pdf](http://www.prosthetics.va.gov/audiology/docs/VA-Hearing-Aids-Fact-Sheet.pdf)

**(800) 827-1000**

[Veterans Health Administration \(VHA\) Audiology Services - Rehabilitation and Prosthetic Services](#)



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