

Update for AADL Hearing Aid Assessors and Specialty Suppliers

AADL will be updating the Hearing Aid Benefit Policy and Procedure Manual eligibility criteria. Please be advised that AADL is adding the following criteria to the Hearing Aid Eligibility Policy:

Clients must have a permanent hearing loss, confirmed by a registered audiologist or registered hearing aid practitioner and the diagnostic audiogram must reflect either of the following:

For Children (0-17 years of age)

- ◆ Pure tone average at 500, 1000 and 2000 Hz greater than 20 dBHL or,
- ◆ High frequency hearing loss: pure tone thresholds greater than 25 dB at two or more frequencies at or about 2000 Hz.

For Adults

- ◆ A total hearing loss of 100 decibels, or greater, when calculated over speech frequencies of 500, 1000, 2000 and 3000 Hz or,
- ◆ High frequency hearing loss: pure tone average at 2000, 3000 and 4000 Hz greater than 30 dB.

AADL will be holding a Q&A session on July 6, 2017 at 10:00 am to answer any questions you may have about these criteria. You can register for the Q&A session by providing your name and name of hearing aid clinic to Andrea at andrea.waywanko@gov.ab.ca until June 28, 2017 and to Terri at terri.gaunt@gov.ab.ca after June 28, 2017.

