

MEETING NOTES JUNE 8, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Gary Shepard who presented the current status of the Profile Group to 18 members/guests.

It was originally planned to have a break out session of three groups based on the severity of hearing impairment but the meeting time limits precluded this from occurring. It was decided that such mini sessions would best, be done separately at member homes, other CA meeting rooms, other Sun City facilities or possibly at a future monthly meeting where the full hour would be dedicated to the session.

USE THE ARROW KEYS ON YOUR COMPUTER KEYBOARD TO TOGGLE THROUGH THE FOLLOWING PRESENTATION SLIDES.

PROFILE GROUP

A special group of SIG members who have agreed to provide and share personal information about their impairment for the benefit of other group members

HEARING AID SIG

PROFILE GROUP																				
A SPECIAL GROUP WITHIN THE HEARING AID SIG WHOSE MEMBERS HAVE AGREED TO PRVIDE AND SHARE INFORMATION TO OTHER GROUP MEMBERS																				
Name	Make	Model	Type	Pur	Cost/Aid	Rate	Provider	Fitter	Credits	Rate	Audiogram (Right-Left)						Words (R-L)		Range	
Names Intentionally Omitted	I										250	500	1000	2000	4000	6000	%	dB		
		Audina	Paragon 4&Phonak Perseo	BTE	2003	\$1,350	VS	Jones	Joel Jennings		S	70-50	85-70	85-70	80-65	70-60	90-80	70-20	90-100	Severe
		Phonak	Claro		2004	\$2,100	S	Westlake-Now Jones	Joel Jennings		VS									
		Phonak	Eleva		2008		N	HRI				35-15	35-20	40-50	55-60	60-55	60-50			Mild-Mod
		Siemens	Intuis "plug in Ear"	ITE	2007	\$795	VS	GT Hearing Aid Center	J. Cearnal		VS									
		Rexton	Cobalt	ITE			S	Costco	Nancy Innes	D.Aud	S	22-22	22-22	35-28	35-30	60-90	70-90	72-88	70-70	Mild-Severe
		Kirtland	Signature Open-Fit Grande		2009	\$1,000	F	Costco												
		None	N/A					Costco	Nancy Innes	D.Aud	VS	7-10	7-10	20-15	20-20	50-55	45-60			Normal-Mild
												70-90	70-90	60-75	60-65	55-60	65-70			Mod-Severe
		Phonak	Savia	BTE	2006			Legacy Hills Hearing	Suzette Fields	MA F-AAA		35-40	20-25	25-25	55-85	75-85	75-80			Mild-Severe
		Siemens	Centra Active w/Remote	BTE	2008	\$2,250	VS	Hearing Planet-Internet	Jim		VS	20-20	20-20	20-20	55-45	75-75	85-85			Mild-Severe
		Phonak	Eleva Micro	BTE	2007		S	HRI			S	55-45	50-42	40-35	40-45	60-50	85-55	45-50	70-72	Mod-Severe
		Vivatone	Standard 44 -- Double	ITC	2005	\$2,375	F	OOB (Westlake)	Kristin		F	25-25	30-30	40-35	55-40	50-45	40-30			Mild-Mod
		Bernaфон	Icosiosdm	BTE	2007		S	Costco	Nancy Innes	D.Aud	S	55-40	50-35	75-40	65-50	100-80	100-100			Mod-Profound
		Phonak	Versata/Exelia	BTE	2009		S	Legacy Hills Hearing	Suzette Fields	MS F-AAA	VS	50-35	45 -45	45-50	65-65	90-75	100-90	80-88	80-85	Mod-Profound
		Phonak		ITE	2003	\$2,400	U	Central TX ENT OOA	Tara Johnston		VS									
		Phonak	Naida V	BTE	2008	\$2,000	VS	Austin Hearing Service												
		Sonic	Natural Pro	ITE	2008		S	OOA	OOA		S	20-15	25-20	50-50	75-70	100-75	100-85			Mild-Profound
Rexton	Gem	BTE	2008	\$1,000	S	Costco	Nancy Innes	D.Aud	VS	35-25	40-40	40-40	40-45	60-60	70-65	88-100		Mild-Severe		

Rated: VS=Very Satisfied S=Satisfied U=Unsatisfied F=Fair N=Neutral
Audiogram (Freq vs dB): Mild=20-40 Moderate=40-60 Severe=60-80 Profound=80+ 0=Right X=Left
Range=Normal (0-20dB) Mild (20--40dB) Moderate (40-60dB) Moderately Severe (60-70dB) Severe 70-90dB) Profound (90+dB)
OOA=Out of Area
OOB-Out of Business
Credits: MD (Medical Dr) MS (Master of Science) CCC-A (Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology) F-AAA (Fellow of American Academy of Audiology) BA (Bachelor of Arts) BC (Board Certified)
HIS (Hearing Insrtument Sciences)

SUMMARY:
ALPHA ORDER BY MEMBER NAME
18 MEMBERS SUBMITTED INFORMATION
13 MEMBERS SUBMITTED AUDIOGRAMS
8 HAVE BTE 5 HAVE ITE
AIDS ARE 0-7 YEARS OLD
7 PHONAKS 2 SIEMENS 2 REXTONS
3 RATINGS OF VS 7 RATINGS OF SATISFACTORY 2 RATINGS OF FAIR
COST RANGE FROM \$1,000 - \$24,00 PER EAR
COSCO 5 JONES 2 HRI 2 LEGACY 2
FITTER RATING 7 VERY SATISFACTORY 5 SATISFACTORY

HEARING IMPAIRMENT PROFILE

HEARING IMPAIRMENT GROUPING (BY TEST RESULT RANGES)													
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Intentionally	Rexton	Cobalt	ITE	S	22-22	22-22	35-28	35-30	60-90	70-90	72-88	70-70	Mild-Severe
Omitted	Rexton	Gem	BTE	S	35-25	40-40	40-40	40-45	60-60	70-65	88-100		Mild-Severe
	Phonak	Savia	BTE		35-40	20-25	25-25	55-85	75-85	75-80			Mild-Severe
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- GROUPED BY TEST RESULT RANGES TO IDENTIFY MEMBERS WITH SIMILAR IMPAIRMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING COMMON CONCERNS, CHALLENGES AND SUCCESS WITH PRODUCTS AND PROGRAMMING UNIQUE TO THE DEGREE OF IMPAIRMENT.
- PURPOSE IS TO IDENTIFY MEMBERS WITH SIMILAR IMPAIRMENT TO COMPARE PROBLEMS, CONCERNS & SUCCESS WITH PRODUCTS AND PROGRAMMING
- MEMBERS WITH MILD AND MODERATE IMPAIRMENT WILL OFTEN HAVE DIFFERENT CONCERNS THAN THOSE WITH SEVERE AND PROFOUND IMPAIRMENT
- ONLY 5 MEMBERS WERE TESTED FOR WORD DISTINCTION. FOR MODERATE TO SEVERE IMPAIRMENT THIS MAY BE THE MOST IMPORTANT TEST. AIDED TESTING MAY BE AS IMPORTANT

Group Discussions

Suggested Questions

For Discussion

- What is the SINGLE BIGGEST PROBLEM (Volume-Word Distinction-Speech in Noise (Kitchen/Restaurant)-Whistling/Feedback-Direction of Sound-Distant vs. Close (Speech in another room as loud as speech within a few feet)?
- What SOLUTIONS have been tried and what was the DEGREE OF SUCCESS?
- What FEATURES AND PROGRAM SETTINGS are beneficial?
- What TYPE OF DOMES are used and why (Open-Power-Molded)?
- What AUDIOLOGIST RATING is given and why (Outstanding-Good-OK-Bad)?

FORUM

- The following URL can be used to directly access the Computer Club Hearing Aid SIG Forum: <http://www.sctxcc.com/SIGForums/tabid/75/afv/topicsview/aff/55/Default.aspx>
- First time users must register by establishing a user defined name and pass word. After registering it is simply a matter of logging on.
- Once logged on you can post new topics, respond to existing postings or just view topics already posted.
- After accessing for the first time bookmark it so you can go directly to the Forum in the future to check on or make new postings.
- BE SURE TO LOG OUT WHEN YOU ARE FINISHED.
- AVOID USING ADDRESSES (STREET AND EMAIL), TELEPHONE NUMBERS, AND PERSONAL ATTACKS.
- BECAUSE OF THE WAY THE CC SET UP THE FORUM SYSTEM ITS USE IS LIMITED ONLY TO CC MEMBERS, EVEN THOUGH THE SIG IS OPEN TO ANY CA RESIDENT IN GOOD STANDING AS GUESTS OF THE SIG.

WRAP

- CRITIQUE MEETING (VALUE OF BREAK OUTS SEPARATE FROM MONTHLY MEETINGS)
- SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS
- NEED NEW PROFILE GROUP MEMBERS (SUBMIT AID AND PROVIDER INFORMATION PLUS TEST RESULTS IF POSSIBLE TO GARY SHEPARD VIA EMAIL OR HARD COPY)
- JULY 8TH MONTHLY MEETING – JACK DAVIDSON