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SERVICES FOR HEARING IMPAIRED ADULTS (4/14)

Consumer Organizations

- Better Hearing Institute, P.O. Box 1840, Washington, D.C. 20013, 800-327-9355, www.hearing.org
- Society for the Advancement of Travel for the Handicapped (SATH), 5014 42nd Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20016, 202-966-3900. Dedicated to the promotion and improvement of travel and tourism opportunities for the disabled.
- Organization for the Use of the Telephone (OUT), P.O. Box 175, Owings Mills, MD 21117
- Consumers Organization for the Hearing Impaired (COHI), P.O. Box 2538, Laurel, MD 20811
- National Association of the Deaf (NAD), 814 Thayer Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 301-587-1788 (voice) 301-587-1789 (TTY)

Other Resources

- National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NICD), Bethesda, Maryland, 800-241-1044, www.nih.gov/nidcd
- NICD National Temporal Bone, Hearing and Balance Pathology Resource Registry at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, 243 Charles Street, Boston, MA 02114-3096 800-822-1327 (voice), 617-573-3888 (TTY), 800-241-1044

Consumer Advocate Organizations

- Illinois Department of Human Services, Office of Rehabilitation Services, 800-447-6154 (voice/spanish), 800-447-6404 (TTY), Joliet office 815-730-4200, The state’s lead agency for providing services to individuals with disabilities. Their mission is to provide opportunities that will assist individuals with disabilities in achieving independence and equality. Services include vocational training, home services, educational services, advocacy, information and referral.
- Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH), 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 1200, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301-657-2248 www.shhh.org Dedicated to the welfare of people with hearing impairment. Numerous workshops, training, programs, and informational services available.
- American Tinnitus Association, General Membership Services, P.O. Box 5, Portland, OR 97207-0005 800-634-8978, 503-248-9985 www.ata.org email: tinnitus@ata.org Discounts on books and brochures, local referrals to professionals and support groups, Tinnitus Today magazine, and research support.
- Vestibular Disorders Association (VEDA), P.O. Box 4467, Portland, Oregon 97208-4467, 800-837-8428 www.vestibular.org Provides information and support groups.
- Ear Foundation (Meniere's Network), 2000 Church Street, Box 111, Nashville, Tennessee 37236 800-545-4327 www.earfoundation.org Promotes better hearing and balance through general public support services, self-help groups for Meniere's disease patients.
- National Association for Hearing and Speech Action (NAHSA), 10801 Rockville, Maryland 20852
- National Association of the Deaf (NAD), 814 Thayer Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500 301-587-1788 (voice) 301-587-1789 (TTY) www.nad.org email: nadinfo@nad.org Nation’s largest organization safeguarding the accessibility and civil rights of 28 million deaf and hard of hearing Americans in education, employment, health care and telecommunications.
- National Captioning Institute (NCI) 1900 Gallows Rd. #3000, Vienna, Virginia 22182 703-917-7600 www.ncicap.org
- Association of Late Deafened Adults P.O. Box 641763, Chicago, Illinois 60664-1763 312-604-4192
- Chicago Hearing Society 2001 N. Clybourn Ave., Chicago, IL 60614 773-248-9121 (voice) 773-248-9174 (TTY) www.anixter.org/CHS Non-profit organization providing a number of services including sign language and oral interpreters, hearing aid bank, sign language classes, free TTY distribution, social services and advocacy, deaf line internet site, domestic violence counseling and crisis intervention.
- Job Accommodation Network WVU-809 Allen Hall, P.O. Box 6123, Morgantown, West Virginia 26506-6123 800-526-7234, 304-293-7186 (Voice/TDD) Provides information and consulting on methods to make accommodations or adaptations for work settings.
- National Hearing Conservation Association 9101 E. Kenyon Avenue, #3000, Denver, Colorado 80237 303-224-9022 www.hearingconservation.org
Consumer Oriented Agencies

- National Technical Institute for the Deaf, One Lomb Drive, Rochester, New York 14623
- Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Health Promotion and Screening, 535 West Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761, 217-782-4733
- Gallaudet College, Division of Public Services, Kendall Green, Washington, D.C. 20002

Businesses with Assistive Devices

- ENT Surgical Consultants, 2201 Glenwood Avenue, Joliet, Illinois 60435, 815-725-1191 Assistive devices can be ordered through this office.
- AT&T Consumer Services 800-233-1222
- Sears, Roebuck and Company Home Health Care Catalog, 925 Homan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60607
- HARC Mercantile, Ltd. 3130 Portage Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49003-3055 www.harcmercantile.com
- Sound Resources, Inc. 201 East Ogden, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521
- Radio Shack Local retailers
- Harris Communications Catalog, 800-825-6758, www.harriscomm.com
- TV Ears, 877-854-1040 www.tvears.com email: info@tvears.com
- Kid'sEarSaver® Adapter www.kidsearsaver.com Permanently attaches to headphones and reduces the volume of any connected sound device, including CD/DVD players, games, computers and stereos. Cost $9.95 each.