# RT: STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE ACCESS OF HEARING HEALTH CARE

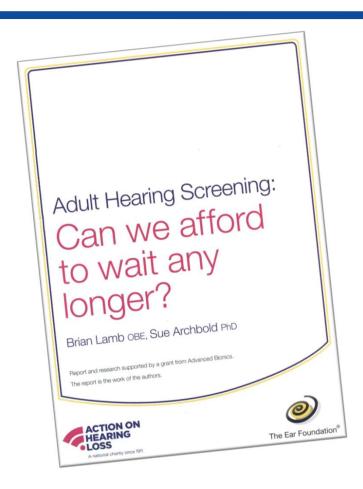
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#### **TOPICS TO BE DISCUSS**

- Delay in access
- Barriers for early identification
- Audiological criteria for adoption (HA)
- Referal system
- Affordability and impact of cost

## WHAT ARE THE BARRIERS FOR EARLY IDENTIFICATION IN ADULT AND HOW THIS BARRIERS CAN BE OVERCOM?



What evidence public health need to make decision?





Long-term cost-effectiveness of screening strategies for hearing loss

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**Table 3.** Effectiveness of hearing loss screening, unadjusted.

Effectiveness	Control (n = 897)	Otoscope (n = 454)	Questionnaire (n = 449)	Dual Screening $(n = 451)$	p-Value*
Screened Positive For Hearing Loss (%)	_	18.1	58.8	63.4	< 0.001
Having an Audiology Visit (%)	11.4	14.5	$23.2^{\dagger}$	27.1 <sup>†</sup>	< 0.001
No. of Audiology Visits per Participant (mean ± SD)	$0.21 \pm 0.76$	$0.29 \pm 0.88$	$0.32^{\ddagger} \pm 0.68$	$0.42^\dagger \pm 0.86$	< 0.001
Using Hearing Aid 1 Year After Screening (%)	3.3	6.4 <sup>‡</sup>	4.1	7.5 <sup>†</sup>	0.003

<sup>\*</sup>Based on analysis of variance test of equality across four group

### This study show that screening is inexpensive an effective

<sup>†</sup>Significance level compared with control group, p < 0.001.

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SD = standard deviation.

## MAKE THE INFORMATION ACCESSIBLE FOR THE MOST VUNERABLE POPULATION

**EDI** database



#### Acquired hearing loss guide for social workers launches

Lyn Romeo, 15 May 2018 - Education and training, Knowledge and skills

Social workers make a unique contribution to making the world a better place, but doing so requires a range of knowledge and skills. But what specific knowledge and skills are needed when working with the increasing number of adults with acquired hearing loss?

In this guest blog to mark Deaf Awareness Week, Peter Simcock, Senior Lecturer in Social Work at Birmingham City University and former social worker with deaf people, describes a collaborative project to produce a good practice guide for social workers in England and Wales working with adults with acquired hearing loss.



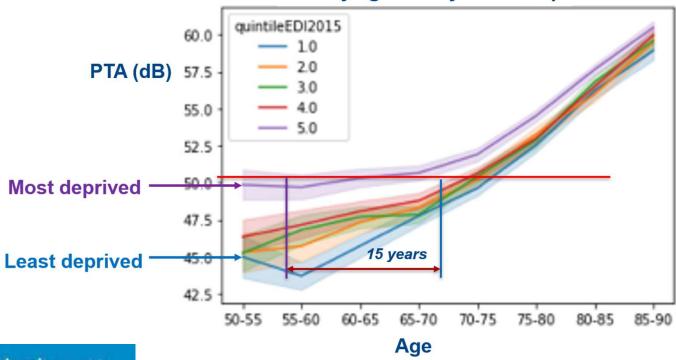
effects, which are often more

Peter: As the UK based charity Hearing Link notes, 'hearing loss affects far more than a person's ears'. It impacts on people's health, work, relationships, culture and identity. It impacts on communication, and affects not only the person with the condition but also heir partners, families and friends

While all these matters are of concern to social workers, sensory loss has been somewhat marginalised within the profession, left to a small number of specialist practitioners.

Nevertheless, data on the incidence and prevalence of acquired hearing loss suggest that it is very likely that social workers, hearing loss has multiple psycho-social particularly those in older people's services will work with adults with the condition

#### PTA by age and by EDI Group





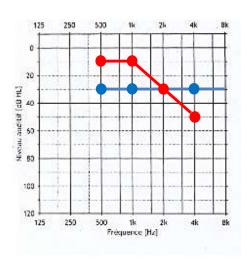
Health literacy development for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases



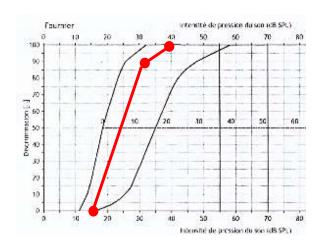
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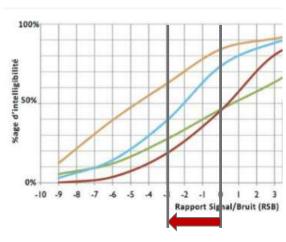
Average PTA : > 30 dB



Speech in quiet 50% > 30 dB



Speech in Noise SNR: +3 dB vs norm

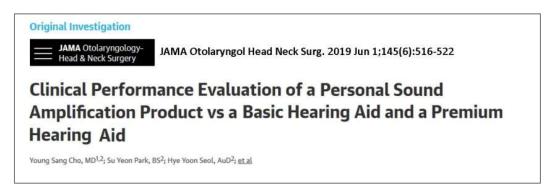


-40% ppt of intelligibility

### **OTC DELIVERY**



To develop a new generation of self fit hearing aid between around \$400







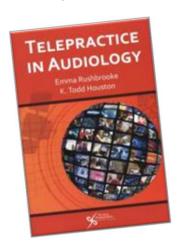
## Hearing loss in adults: assessment and management



NICE guideline

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- Supporting GP engagement in primary care to manage hearing loss in adults
- Pathway redesign in audiology services using telepractice



- Hearing screening
- Teleotoscopy
- Hearing aid fittings
- Remote cochlear implant
- Rehabilitation and remediation





## Thank you for your attention