



Modality community Audiology  
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# Hearing Assessment information for Patients

**You have been referred for a hearing assessment appointment that may take between 45 minutes to an hour. You will be seen by an audiologist, who is a healthcare scientist specialising in hearing and balance. You are welcome to bring a friend or relative to your appointment.**

## Tests

Every test will be fully explained before proceeding and will only be carried out with your consent.

Tests which you may receive will depend upon which ones the audiologist feels are appropriate.

## Ear examination

**Hearing test** – this involves wearing a pair of headphones and you pressing a button every time you hear a tone. The quietest tones you can hear are stored, and this is used to determine any type and nature of hearing loss.

**Tympanometry**- This procedure looks at the condition of the middle ear and ear drum. The audiologist will place a soft tip in your ear and you will feel a slight change in pressure.

## Results

The audiologist will explain your results to you on the day. They will also discuss all treatment options; these may include referral for further tests or to another specialty.

## Important information

Please bring any hearing aids and/or moulds with you to the appointment.

## What does the hearing assessment involve?

The audiologist will ask you a number of questions and may complete a questionnaire. These will help to determine how healthy your ears are and if your hearing and balance are affecting your life.

## Communication needs

If you require an interpreter at your appointment, please telephone **Audiology Modality LLP 0121 446 2000**  
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