

Hearing Aid Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (HAAAD)

THE PROGRAM

- HAAAD provides a \$500 reimbursement to offset the purchase of one hearing aid, or up to \$1,000 for two hearing aids, per calendar year;
- One reimbursement is allowed per calendar year. If a hearing aid is purchased in a subsequent calendar year, a new HAAAD application is required;
- "Hearing Aid" means a custom-fitted ear-level or body-worn electronic device which enhances communication for the hearing impaired;
- Beneficiaries must be currently enrolled in the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) program or Lifeline Utility Assistance (Lifeline) program, and meet the PAAD and Lifeline eligibility criteria
- A receipt for the purchase of the hearing aid must accompany the application.
- A written statement from a treating physician attesting to the medical necessity for obtaining a hearing aid is required.
- If NOT currently enrolled in the PAAD or Lifeline program, an NJSave application must be completed to verify age or disability status, residency, and annual income.
- Income must not be greater than the income guidelines for the current year.
- If you have hearing aid benefits under Medicaid, another health insurance provider, or retirement benefits, HAAAD would not assist in reimbursement.
- If coverage is limited or partial, reimbursement is possible within guidelines .

For additional information call our toll free Hotline at 1-800-792-9745.



TO DONATE A USED HEARING AID TO THE PROJECT:

Send in a padded envelope, box or unlabeled prescription container to:

New Jersey Hearing Aid Project
Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
Montclair State University
1515 Broad Street, Bldg B
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

NEW JERSEY HUMAN SERVICES



NJ Department of Human Services
Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
PO Box 074, Trenton, NJ 08625-0074
<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddhh/>
(609) 588-2648

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Hearing Aid Programs

Reconditioned Hearing Aid Project

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The New Jersey Hearing Aid Project offers free refurbished hearing aids for individuals that meet program eligibility. The Hearing Aid Project is an innovative initiative launched by the New Jersey Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in partnership with Montclair State University.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the program applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 65 years of age or older, or disabled and receiving Social Security Disability Income
- Resident of New Jersey
- Certification by physician or licensed audiologist as having a hearing loss and needing a hearing aid
- Income must not be greater than the income guidelines for the current year.
- Not eligible for other sources of hearing aid assistance (e.g. Medicaid)
- Does not currently possess a usable hearing aid

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications can be obtained by contacting the New Jersey Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at (609) 588-2648 or it can be downloaded from the division's web site at <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddhh/services/hearingaid/project/>

Currently registered recipients of Pharmaceutical Assistance for the Aged and Disabled (PAAD), please request Eligibility Application Form A. If unregistered, please request Eligibility Application Form B. Return the completed application form to the address noted on the application form.



HEARING AID DISBURSEMENT

The New Jersey Hearing Aid Project is dependent upon the availability of donated hearing aids. In some cases, an appropriate hearing aid may not be readily available and may take eight - twelve weeks to become available. Approved applicants will be notified when the appropriate hearing aid(s) becomes available.

OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES

There is no cost for the reconditioned hearing aid(s).

Qualified participants will be responsible for the cost of ear molds and batteries. Participants will also be responsible for repair fees after the warranty expires. The fee will be dependent upon the model of the hearing aid.

The audiologist may accept insurance or charge for the hearing evaluation. Applicants that require a diagnostic hearing evaluation should obtain a physician referral. This service may be billed to Medicare and/or a private insurance provider. Participants will be responsible for any service visit charges beyond the initial 3 visits.

