



Here is what's new in our June 2018 Edition:

Layperson's Guide:

T-Coils – Getting the Most Out Of Your Hearing Aid: Hearing aid microphones can cause difficulties while listening on the telephone. Feedback - the annoying whistling sound that hearing aids emit when a phone is located too close to the hearing aid - often occurs when people try to use the telephone while wearing hearing aids. Fortunately, there is an inexpensive, useful, and often underused hearing aid component which overcomes these microphone problems. This option is the Telecoil (T-coil). T-coils allow different sound sources to be directly connected to the hearing aid, improving sound quality and allowing the hearing aid wearer to easily perceive the signal of interest in almost any environment, and regardless of background noise. Please go to our Layperson's Guide section to learn more.

70+ Best Hearing Loss And Tinnitus Apps For Your Ears: We have broken down some of the top apps for the ears, including anything from a hearing loss simulator app, to an app that can protect your ears by ensuring that you're not listening to your music too loud. Please go to our Layperson's Guide to learn more.

How It All Works!:

FM Systems For People With Hearing Loss: A frequency-modulated (FM) system is an ALD that makes it easier for people with hearing loss to hear what others are saying in noisy environments, like a theater, school, church, museum or other public places. This wireless system, also called a personal FM system, uses radio waves to deliver speech signals directly from the speaker's mouth to the listener's ears. Please go to our How It Works! Section to learn more.

Guidance Articles:

Turn On To T-Coil! This article explores the tremendous opportunity the T-coil program of digital hearing aids and cochlear implants offers to access Hearing Assistance Technology devices that enhance the user's ability to utilize phones, cell phones, TV/DVD, entertainment devices such as the iPod and personal amplifiers. Please go to our Guidance Articles section.

Current Research:

A Clinical Trial For A New Drug To Protect Hearing: David Raible, Ph.D., and Edwin Rubel, Ph.D., members of HHF's Hearing Restoration Project (HRP) and Scientific Advisory Board, respectively, developed an FDA-approved drug that will protect hair cells from ototoxic injury. Raible, Rubel, and team found the drug effectively stops hearing loss in zebrafish, rats, and dogs, which paves the way for a clinical trial in humans. Please go to our Current Research section to learn more.

NIOSH Sound Level Meter App: Have you ever entered a restaurant, business etc. only to become overwhelmed by the noise? Pull out your i-phone and check it out. (Not available for android phones) The NIOSH Sound Level Meter mobile application is a tool to measure sound levels in the workplace and provide noise exposure parameters to help reduce occupational noise-induced hearing loss. Please go to our Current Research section to learn more.

Points Of View:

National Protect Your Hearing Month - Time To Fill The Know-Do Gap: When it comes to health, a large gap often exists between what we know (for example, we know that eating too much sugar is bad for our health) and what we still do. Hearing loss prevention is no exception. We have been aware of the harmful effects of overexposure to noise for over a century. Please go to our Points Of View section to read more.

My Story:

Coming Of Age With Hearing Loss:

College freshman and aspiring auditory researcher Layla, 18, was diagnosed with bilateral sensorineural hearing loss at age 3. In her elementary, middle, and high school years, her mainstream schools had sufficient resources to accommodate her hearing loss, but her teachers didn't know how to use them. Ultimately, hearing loss enabled Layla to become a champion of her own disability—and to discover that self-reliance is the best lesson worth learning. Please go to our My Story section to read Layla's story.