

Unit Title: Understanding Hearing Impairment
Unit Level: Level 2
Unit Credit Value: 3
GLH: 24
LASER Unit Code: WJD494
Ofqual Unit Code: D/504/8964

This unit has 5 learning outcomes.

LEARNING OUTCOMES		ASSESSMENT CRITERIA	
The learner will:		The learner can:	
1.	Know about the anatomy and physiology of the ear.	1.1	Describe the structures and mechanism of the hearing process.
		1.2	Describe how hearing is measured.
2.	Know about the main causes of hearing loss and deafness.	2.1	Identify the main causes of hearing loss and deafness.
		2.2	Describe causes of hearing loss.
		2.3	Explain how the causes identified can affect the individual.
		2.4	Briefly explain hearing loss and deafness that may be associated with learning disability/disability.
3.	Know how to communicate effectively with people who are deaf or hard of hearing.	3.1	Outline the main strategies for communication.
		3.2	Explain the basic rules of British Sign Language Grammar.
		3.3	Identify the linguistic and communication issues faced by people who are deaf or hard of hearing.
		3.4	Demonstrate some knowledge of the Deaf-Blind Alphabet.
		3.5	List different types of hearing aids.
		3.6	Identify the strengths and weaknesses for the identified types of hearing aids.
4.	Know about the relationship between hearing impairment and the environment.	4.1	Discuss ways in which a person with a hearing impairment can be disabled by the environment.
		4.2	Explain ways that the environment can be adapted to meet the needs of a person who has a hearing impairment.
5.	Know about the roles and functions of agencies and individuals providing services for people with a hearing impairment or who are deaf.	5.1	Identify different agencies working in the field of hearing impairment.
		5.2	For the identified agencies (a) explain their role (b) the services they offer (c) how they relate to each other to support an individual with a hearing impairment.

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Assessment Guidance:

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Additional Information:

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