Assistive Technology for Hearing Loss

Listening to music / computer / gaming

If headphones do not give you good access to sounds, you can send the input through your hearing aids.



Music link Ear hooks

cOnnect to your hearing aids through the T setting. This will need activated by audiology



Direct Input lead

connects to your hearing aid via a shoe. Speak to ETHV and they will tell you what shoe you will need.
Audiology will also need to activate a programme.



Neck Loop

Fits around your neck some work through Bluetooth others through T setting so will need activating by audiology



Silent Headphones

connect to your hearing aids through the t setting. This will need activating by audiology



Large ear cupped headphones Turtle beach stealth 700 Logitech G231 Prodigy

Extra large earcups, so can be a better fit with hearing devices
Rotating earcups, so easier to change how they fit over hearing devices. Fit Xbox, Playstation 4



Aftershokz Trekz Titanium Mini

Lightweight, small and wireless bone conduction headphones using Bluetooth

ETHV

Email: officeethv@nelincs.gov.uk Telephone: (01472) 323465



Information and where you can buy

This will give you some ideas of what is available. Always talk to your Audiologist, ETHV staff or the manufacturer if you are unsure whether or not the equipment is suitable for your hearing aid and your hearing loss. You may need an extra programme activating on your hearing aid for a product to work.

These are some examples of companies that provide information or products, but you may find more. You should check prices and returns policies carefully before buying any equipment.

NDCS (National Deaf Children's Society)
www.ndcs.org.uk – also provide a loan service
(Technology Test Drive) for some equipment so you can try before you buy. You need to become a member but it is free to join. See the next page.

Connevans – <u>www.deafequipment.co.uk</u>

RNID -RNID - National hearing loss charity

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Listening to the TV

If you have difficulty hearing the TV there are many ways to help. Some connect through wires, others are wireless. Some are portable, others are wired in.



Wired room loop system



Wireless room loop system



Personal loop system can be used in meetings or groups

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You can then borrow equipment to test before you buy to see if it meets your needs.

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Alarm clocks/watches

If you can't hear an alarm there are lots of ways to set your alarm! Some need to be plugged in and some need a battery.



Alarm clocks - Extra loud, vibrating pad, flashing light or a combination



Vibrating alarm watch

Telephones

Texting can be a great way to contact friends, but sometimes you need to talk to someone. Phones can have volume and tone control. They also have extra loud rings or lights to let you know someone is calling. Try using it on speaker so you can hear through 2 ears.

Telephone



Headset amplifier