

AUDIOLOGY COMPARATIVE TARIFFS : 2014



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		0020	Report writing	30	297.80	9.93	249.20	8.31	247.20	8.24	255.80	8.53
Consultations												
1010	Audiology consultation. Duration 5 - 15 mins	10	99.20	9.92	81.20	8.12	61.90	6.19	84.00	8.40	82.60	8.26
1011	Audiology consultation. Duration 16 - 30 mins	23	223.30	9.92	187.00	8.31	185.30	8.24	188.90	8.40	185.80	8.26
1012	Audiology consultation. Duration 31 - 45 mins	38	372.20	9.93	311.40	8.30	309.00	8.24	314.90	8.40	309.70	8.26
1013	Audiology consultation. Duration 46 - 60 mins	53	521.10	9.93	436.20	8.31	432.10	8.23	441.00	8.40	433.10	8.25
1015	Prolonged audiology consultation, each additional full 15 mins, to a maximum of 60 mins	15	148.90	9.93	62.40	4.16	123.50	8.23	125.90	8.39	123.90	8.26
1017	Modifier:Audiology assistant -where a procedure requires the assistant of a qualified registered audiologist ,the fee is 40% of the fee payable to the primary audiologist											
A. Peripheral Hearing Evaluation												
1100	Air conduction, pure tone audiogram	15	148.90	9.93	70.00	4.67	139.30	9.29	144.20	9.61	141.70	9.45
1105	Bone conduction pure tone audiogram	12	119.10	9.93	70.00	5.83	111.30	9.28	115.30	9.61	113.50	9.46
1110	Full Speech Audiogram including speech reception threshold and discrimination at two or more levels. (3277)	15	148.90	9.93	109.00	7.27	139.30	9.29	144.20	9.61	141.70	9.45
1115	Speech audiogram screening	5	49.60	9.92	47.00	9.40	46.50	9.30	48.10	9.62	47.30	9.46
1120	Visual reinforcement audiometry (VRA)	40	397.00	9.93	275.30	6.88	379.30	9.48	392.80	9.82	386.00	9.65
1121	Conditioning play audiometry	40	397.00	9.93	382.70	9.57	379.40	9.49	392.80	9.82	386.00	9.65
1122	Select picture audiometry	40	397.00	9.93	382.70	9.57	379.40	9.49	392.80	9.82	386.00	9.65
1125	Tinnitus Evaluation	15	148.90	9.93	140.60	9.37	139.30	9.29	144.20	9.61	141.70	9.45
B. Middle Ear Function Evaluation												
1200	Tympanometry	8	79.40	9.93	70.00	8.75	70.30	8.79	72.60	9.08	71.30	8.91
1205	Immittance Measurements - Impedance / Stapedial reflex (3276): Limited reflex spectrum (eg : 1-2 frequencies)	4	39.70	9.93	35.40	8.85	35.50	8.88	36.40	9.10	35.80	8.95
1210	Immittance Measurements - Impedance / Stapedial reflex (3276): Extended reflex spectrum (250-8000Hz e.g. 4-8 frequencies)	12	119.10	9.93	106.20	8.85	105.50	8.79	109.10	9.09	107.10	8.93
1215	High Frequency Tympanometry (impedance testing) - for paediatric population	8	79.40	9.93	70.80	8.85	70.30	8.79	72.60	9.08	71.30	8.91
1220	Eustachian Tube Function Test - multiple tympanograms - bilateral	12	119.10	9.93	106.20	8.85	105.50	8.79	109.10	9.09	107.10	8.93
1225	Rinné & Weber tests	4	39.70	9.93	37.40	9.35	37.30	9.33	38.40	9.60	37.90	9.48
Diagnostic Audiological Tests for Differential Diagnosis between Cochlear; Retro-cochlear; Central; Functional and/or Vestibular Pathology												
1300	Tone Decay (for retro cochlear pathology)	8	79.40	9.93	74.90	9.36	74.30	9.29	77.00	9.63	75.40	9.43
1305	Reflex decay (for retro cochlear pathology)	8	79.40	9.93	70.80	8.85	70.30	8.79	72.60	9.08	71.30	8.91
1310	Short Increment Sensitivity Index (SISI)	5	49.60	9.92	47.00	9.40	46.50	9.30	48.10	9.62	47.30	9.46
1315	Most comfortable levels (MCL) & Uncomfortable levels (UCL) : Air conduction	8	79.40	9.93	74.90	9.36	74.30	9.29	77.00	9.63	75.40	9.43

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1320	Most comfortable levels (MCL) & Uncomfortable levels (UCL) : Speech thresholds	4	39.70	9.93	37.40	9.35	37.30	9.33	38.40	9.60	37.90	9.48
1325	Test for functional hearing loss	10	99.20	9.92	93.60	9.36	93.00	9.30	96.10	9.61	94.30	9.43
1331	Stenger test, pure tone	5	49.60	9.92	47.00	9.40	46.60	9.32	48.10	9.62	47.30	9.46
1332	Stenger test, speech	5	49.60	9.92	47.00	9.40	46.60	9.32	48.10	9.62	47.30	9.46
1340	Basic equipment used in own rooms by audiologist.To be charged once a per day together with codes 1100 to 1125 ,1225,1300,1310 to 1332 and twice per day for code 135 ,per patient.(see note below)	9.8	97.20	9.92								
1335	Fistula test - (for peri-lymph fluid leakage)	15	148.90	9.93	140.60	9.37	139.30	9.29	144.20	9.61	141.70	9.45
D.	Auditory Processing (AP) and Central Auditory Processing Tests (CAP)											
1400	Central Auditory Processing Disorders test, test to be specified.	13	129.00	9.92	124.30	9.56	123.40	9.49	127.60	9.82	125.50	9.65
E.	Electro-Physiological Examinations/Auditory Evoked Potentials (AEP)											
1500	Diagnostic Neurological short latency ABR (Auditory Brainstem Response) Bilateral; single decibel (2692)	60	1588.50	26.48	574.10	9.57	568.90	9.48	589.30	9.82	578.90	9.65
1505	AABR - Bilateral (Automated Auditory Brainstem Response). Cannot be charged with 1510	30	507.50	16.92	265.60	8.85	263.30	8.78	272.50	9.08	267.90	8.93
1510	Screening ABR - Bilateral (Auditory Brainstem Response) . Cannot be charged with 1505	20	333.60	16.68	177.10	8.86	175.60	8.78	181.70	9.09	178.60	8.93
1515	Diagnostic Audiological Click ABR (Auditory Brainstem Evoked Response) – Bilateral Air conduction threshold determination using click stimuli	60	1588.50	26.48	574.10	9.57	568.90	9.48	589.30	9.82	578.90	9.65
1520	Diagnostic Audiological Click ABR-(Auditory Brainstem Response) – Bilateral Bone conduction threshold determination using click stimuli Combinations of items 1531 to 1534 cannot be billed together.	80	2118.10	26.48	765.40	9.57	758.40	9.48	785.60	9.82	772.00	9.65
1531	Diagnostic Audiological Tone Burst ABR (Auditory Brainstem Response) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 1 frequency	30	794.20	26.47	287.20	9.57	284.50	9.48	294.60	9.82	289.60	9.65
1532	Diagnostic Audiological Tone Burst ABR (Auditory Brainstem Response) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 2 frequencies	60	1588.50	26.48	574.10	9.57	568.90	9.48	589.30	9.82	578.90	9.65
1533	Diagnostic Audiological Tone Burst ABR (Auditory Brainstem Response) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 3 frequencies	90	2382.90	26.48	861.1	3.19	853.20	9.48	883.90	9.82	868.50	9.65
1534	Diagnostic Audiological Tone Burst ABR (Auditory Brainstem Response) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 4 frequencies Combinations of items 1541 to 1544 cannot be billed together.	120	3177.20	26.48	1148.2	4.78	1137.60	9.48	1178.50	9.82	1158.10	9.65
1541	Diagnostic Audiological Middle latency & Late Cortical Auditory Evoked responses (2698) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 1 frequency	25	661.90	26.48	239.10	9.56	237.00	9.48	245.60	9.82	241.20	9.65
1542	Diagnostic Audiological Middle latency & Late Cortical Auditory Evoked responses (2698) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 2 frequencies	50	1323.80	26.48	478.40	9.57	474.20	9.48	491.10	9.82	482.60	9.65
1543	Diagnostic Audiological Middle latency & Late Cortical Auditory Evoked responses (2698) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 3 frequencies	75	1985.70	26.48	717.70	9.57	711.00	9.48	736.60	9.82	723.90	9.65

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1544	Diagnostic Audiological Middle latency & Late Cortical Auditory Evoked responses(2698) – Bilateral Frequency specific threshold determination using tone-burst stimuli at : 4 frequencies	100	2647.60	26.48	956.90	9.57	948.00	9.48	982.10	9.82	965.10	9.65
	Combinations of items 1551 to 1554 cannot be billed together.											
1551	ASSER (Auditory Steady State Evoked Response) – Bilateral threshold determination : 1 frequency	30	688.50	22.95	287.20	9.57	284.50	9.48	294.60	9.82	289.60	9.65
1552	ASSER (Auditory Steady State Evoked Response) – Bilateral threshold determination : 2 frequencies	40	918.10	22.95	382.70	9.57	379.30	9.48	392.80	9.82	386.00	9.65
1553	ASSER (Auditory Steady State Evoked Response) – Bilateral threshold determination : 3 frequencies	60	1377.20	22.95	574.10	9.57	568.90	9.48	589.30	9.82	578.90	9.65
1554	ASSER (Auditory Steady State Evoked Response) – Bilateral threshold determination : 4 frequencies	80	1836.20	22.95	765.40	9.57	758.40	9.48	785.60	9.82	772.00	9.65
1560	P300 Cognitive AEP (Auditory Evoked Potential) or MMN (Mismatch Negativity)	35	926.60	26.47	335.00	9.57	332.20	9.49	343.80	9.82	337.70	9.65
1565	Electrocochleography: unilateral (2699)	45	1191.40	26.48	430.60	9.57	426.80	9.48	441.80	9.82	434.30	9.65
1570	Electrocochleography: bilateral (2700)	90	2382.90	26.48	861.10	9.57	853.20	9.48	883.90	9.82	868.50	9.65
1575	Cochlear nerve function test - intra-operative monitoring - per 30min	30	794.20	26.47	287.20	9.57	284.50	9.48	294.60	9.82	289.60	9.65
1580	Evoked otoacoustic emissions (OAE); limited	15	135.60	9.04	127.80	8.52	126.90	8.46	131.00	8.73	128.80	8.59
1581	Evoked otoacoustic emissions (OAE): comprehensive	30	271.40	9.05	265.60	8.85	263.30	8.78	272.50	9.08	267.90	8.93
F. Balance/Vestibular Examinations and Treatment												
1600	Spontaneous and positional nystagmus using electro-nystagmography (ENG) (3253).	55	1422.10	25.86	526.20	9.57	521.40	9.48	540.20	9.82	530.80	9.65
1605	Spontaneous and positional nystagmus using Video-nystagmography (VNG)	55	1422.10	25.86	553.90	10.07	548.90	9.98	568.50	10.34	558.70	10.16
1610	Eye Visualization – spontaneous and positional nystagmus – monocular	35	445.10	12.72	298.10	8.52	295.50	8.44	305.90	8.74	300.50	8.59
1615	Videonystagmoscopy: spontaneous and positional nystagmus. (Only camera/goggles, without computerised VNG software)	35	445.10	12.72	309.50	8.84	307.30	8.78	317.90	9.08	312.40	8.93
1620	Oculo-motor/central tests using electro-nystagmography (ENG)	25	646.30	25.85	251.80	10.07	249.50	9.98	258.40	10.34	253.90	10.16
1625	Oculo-motor/central tests using video-nystagmography (VNG)	25	646.30	25.85	251.80	10.07	249.50	9.98	258.40	10.34	253.90	10.16
1630	DVA (Dynamic Visual Acuity) test using Video-nystagmography (VNG)	10	258.50	25.85	99.60	9.96	100.00	10.00	103.50	10.35	101.60	10.16
1635	Caloric test using ENG electro-nystagmography (3255)	50	1292.80	25.86	503.60	10.07	499.00	9.98	516.80	10.34	507.80	10.16
1640	Caloric test using VNG electro-nystagmography (3255)	50	1292.80	25.86	503.60	10.07	499.00	9.98	516.80	10.34	507.80	10.16
1645	Posturography	25	870.80	34.83	251.80	10.07	249.50	9.98	258.40	10.34	253.90	10.16
1650	Rotational Chair test	15	186.90	12.46	132.80	8.85	131.80	8.79	136.30	9.09	133.90	8.93
1655	Otolith repositioning/canalith manoeuvre	25	318.00	12.72	207.70	8.31	206.10	8.24	209.90	8.40	206.30	8.25
1660	Vestibular rehabilitation (neuromuscular) re-education of movement, balance, coordination, kinesthetic sense, posture, and proprioception	25	226.10	9.04	207.70	8.31	206.10	8.24	209.90	8.40	206.30	8.25
G. Cochlear Implant Tests												
1700	Cochlear Implants: Pre-implant round window promontory testing	45	659.60	14.66	398.50	8.86	394.90	8.78	408.80	9.08	401.80	8.93
1710	Cochlear Implants : Electrode mapping : per 15min (max 120min)	15	219.90	14.66	150.90	10.06	149.80	9.99	155.00	10.33	152.20	10.15
1720	Cochlear Implants : Implant test : Four test modes : intra- or post-operatively	5	73.20	14.64	47.00	9.40	46.50	9.30	48.10	9.62	47.30	9.46
1725	Cochlear Implants : Neural Response Telemetry : intra-operatively (during cochlear implant surgery)	20	293.10	14.66	201.40	10.07	199.80	9.99	206.70	10.34	203.10	10.16
1730	Cochlear Implants : Neural Response Telemetry : post-operatively (after cochlear implant surgery)	55	806.30	14.66	515.10	9.37	510.50	9.28	528.70	9.61	519.60	9.45
1735	Cochlear Implants : Electrical Stapedius Reflex Thresholds : intra-operatively only	13	190.50	14.65	130.80	10.06	129.90	9.99	134.30	10.33	131.90	10.15



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1740	Cochlear Implants : Comprehensive speech perception testing, pre- and post-cochlear implant, per 15min (max 45min)	15	135.60	9.04	143.60	9.57	142.50	9.50	147.20	9.81	144.80	9.65
H. Hearing Amplification / Hearing Aids												
1800	Hearing aid evaluation - per ear	15	135.60	9.04	99.50	6.63	126.90	8.46	131.00	8.73	128.80	8.59
1805	Free Field Hearing Aid Evaluation : Pure tone and speech (with and without lipreading)	13	117.60	9.05	124.30	9.56	123.40	9.49	127.60	9.82	125.50	9.65
1810	Insertion gain measurement, per ear	10	90.50	9.05	76.30	7.63	88.00	8.80	90.90	9.09	89.30	8.93
1815	Re-programming of hearing aid, per ear	10	90.50	9.05	85.20	8.52	84.70	8.47	87.50	8.75	85.80	8.58
1820	Technical adjustment of hearing aid/device, per ear.	6	54.30	9.05	51.10	8.52	50.80	8.47	52.50	8.75	51.50	8.58
1825	Repairs to hearing aids											
1830	Global charge for supply and fitting of hearing aid and follow-up (By arrangement with scheme).											
NOTES:												
1	Required where hearing evaluations or diagnostic testing are performed on children under 5 and other "difficult to test" patients											
2	Standard equipment costs have not been recovered by audiologists due to insufficient rates being paid by funders New code 1340 introduced to recover these costs where the relevant tests are performed											
3	Special equipment is also used for other advanced tests and the previous RPL introduced a tiered RCF to recover these costs but only to a limited extent.											
4	RCF's vary due to difference in cost of special equipment utilised for various codes											
CODES WHERE DISCOVERY NEVER INCREASED THEIR TARIFFS EFFECTIVE 2005 TO ADJUSTED "NHRPL" TARIFFS												
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