

HEARING AID FACTS

When individuals have hearing loss, hearing aids may enable them to enjoy the world of better hearing and listening. The joys of better hearing starts with realistic expectations. The following four points will provide you with these realistic expectations.

1. **Hearing aids cannot restore normal hearing.**

HOWEVER

Properly fit hearing aids significantly make many sounds more audible and improve the ability to understand speech.

2. **Hearing aids cannot eliminate unwanted background sounds.**

HOWEVER

Hearing aids may improve the listening level of desired speech and environmental sounds relative to unwanted competing sounds.

3. **Hearing aids cannot give maximum results instantly.**

HOWEVER

Given time, many individuals show continuous improvements. Research shows that with time and application, learning to hear again may improve over a period of months.

4. **Hearing aids are very sophisticated electronic devices and require adjustments and service.**

THEREFORE

Adjustments and even repairs are normal and do not make them defective.