

INFORMED CONSENT AGREEMENT

“I, the undersigned, (or in the case of a minor [under age 18], the designated responsible party), understand that the evaluation of the hearing system or balance system requires the use of specialized instrumentation. During the course of the evaluation, I understand that various earphones or earphone inserts (inserted into each ear canal) will be placed over my ears or in my ear canals. Acoustic (sound) signals will be delivered to the ears through either of these types of earphones. Some of the sounds will be loud, but scientific evidence has shown that these loud sounds will not cause any damage to the ear or to the hearing.

In the case of fitting for amplification (hearing aids), I consent to the placement of foam or cotton blocks into each external ear canal; as well as the placement of molding material (silicon) to make ear impressions.

In the case of balance testing, alcohol wipes will be used to clean the area of the skin that taped electrodes will be placed. These electrodes do not deliver any type of electrical signal to you; they only measure the electrical activity normally generated by the body. Additionally, water will be placed into the ear canals through a small irrigator tube to measure the strength of each ears’ response to the water temperature.”

_____ Signature of Patient or Legal Guardian

_____ Date