

PRESCRIPTION HEARING AID FITTER EXAMINATION :RESOURCE MATERIALS GUIDE FOR STUDY

(This list is only meant as a general guide or sample regarding the examination sections. This list may contain out of print textbooks. Other more current resource textbooks or digital textbooks may be available. Please work with sponsor fitter to ensure proper training and review.)

ANATOMY/PHYSIOLOGY/DISEASES OF THE EAR (PART I)

- A. Newby, Hayes A. Audiology. 6th Ed. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1992.
- B. Guyton, Arthur C. Textbook of Medical Physiology. 10th Ed. Philadelphia: Saunders, 1991
- C. Hearing Instrument Science and Fitting Practices. NIHIS, Livonia, MI, 1996 2nd Ed. Chapters I and VII.
- D. Katz, Ph.D., Jack. Handbook of Clinical Audiology. 4th ed. 1994: William & Wilkins.
- E. Martin, Ph.D., Frederick & Clark, John Greer. Introduction to Audiology. 7th ed. 1999: Allyn & Bacon

FUNCTION OF HEARING AIDS (PART II)

- A. McCollom, Herbert F. Hearing Aid Dispensing Practice. Danville, IL: Interstate Printers & Publishers, 1984.
- B. Pollack, Michael C. Amplification for the Hearing Impaired. 3rd Ed. Orlando: Grune & Stratton, 1988.
- C. Donaldson, Linda: Masking: Practical Applications of Masking Principles and Procedures. NIHIS, Livonia, MI.. 1999
- D. Valente, Michael Hearing Aids: Standards, Options, and Limitations. New York, NY: Thieme Medical Publishers, Inc. 2002
- E. Frye, Kristina: Audioprosthology: Hearing Instrument Selection, Fitting and Verification. NIHIS, Livonia, MI. 2008
- F. Hearing Instrument Science and Fitting Practices. NIHIS, Livonia, MI, 1996 2nd Ed. Chapters IV and VI
- G. Tobin Henry: Practical hearing aid selection and fitting, United States. Veterans Health Administration Scientific and Technical Publications Section. 1997
- H. Vonlanthen, Andi and Arndt , Horst: Hearing Instrument Technology for the Hearing Health Care Professional. Delmar Cengage Learning; 3 edition March 30, 2006
- I. Schaub, Arthur: Digital Hearing Aids. Thieme; 1 edition July 2, 2008

KNOWLEDGE OF THE LAW (PART III AND PART IV)

- A. Pennsylvania Hearing Aid Sales Registration Law, Act 262 of 1976. Pennsylvania Statutes Annotated. Title 35, Section 6700-101 - 6700-802.
- B. Title 28 Pennsylvania Code Chapter 25 Sections 25.201 - 25.215. Hearing Aid Regulations. www.pacode.com
- C. Unfair trade and business practices Act
- D. Disclosure Agreement Forms (www.health.state.pa.us/hearingaid) under Forms.

PROCEDURES – USE OF EQUIPMENT FOR FITTINGS AND SELLING OF HEARING AIDS (PART V)

- A. Sandlin, Robert E., ed. Textbook of Hearing Aid Amplification. Technical and Clinical Considerations and Fitting Practices. 2nd Ed. San Diego, CA 2000.
- B. Pollack. Amplification for the Hearing Impaired.
- C. Hodgson, William R. Hearing Aid Assessment and Use In Audiological Habilitation. 3rd Ed. Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins, 1986.
- D. Hannley, Maureen. Basic Principles of Auditory Assessment. San Diego, CA: College-Hill Press, 1986.
- E. Martin, Ph.D., Frederick & Clark, John Greer. Introduction to Audiology. 7th ed. 1999: Allyn & Bacon
- F. Rintelmann, William F. Hearing Assessment. 2nd Ed. Austin, TX: Pro-Ed, 1991.
- G. Hearing Instrument Selection and Evaluation. NIHIS, Livonia, MI, 1987. All chapters.
- H. Hearing Instrument Science and Fitting Practices. NIHIS, Livonia, MI, 1996. Chapter VII.
- I. Valente, Michael Hearing Aids: Standards, Options, and Limitations. New York, NY: Thieme Medical Publishers, Inc. 1996.

TAKING EAR MOLD IMPRESSIONS (PART VI)

- A. Pollack, Michael C. Amplification for the Hearing Impaired. 3rd Ed. Orlando: Grune & Stratton, 1988.
- B. Hearing Instrument Science and Fitting Practices. NIHIS, Livonia, MI, 1996. Chapter V.
- C. Custom Earmold Manual. Revised 6th Ed., 1998. Microsonic, Inc., 1421 Merchant Street, PO Box 184, Ambridge, PA 15003. Phone 1-800-523-7672.
- D. Study Guide to Accompany Custom Earmold Manual, 6th Ed. Microsonic, Inc., 1421 Merchant Street, PO Box 184, Ambridge, PA 15003. Phone - 1-800-523-7672. Accessories –(877) 376-7139.
- E. Microsonic Education Videos: “Perfect Earmold Impressions” (22 minutes) and “Earmold Style and Material Selection” (32 minutes). Microsonic, Inc., 1421 Merchant Street, PO Box 184, Ambridge, PA 15003. Phone – 1-800-523-7672.
- F. Valente, Michael Hearing Aids: Standards, Options, and Limitations. New York, NY: Thieme Medical Publishers, Inc., 1996.

PENNSYLVANIA ASSISTANCE AND REFERRAL PROGRAMS/SYSTEMS (PART VII)

Visit www.health.state.pa.us/hearingaid under Exam information

- A. [Hearing Conservation Rehabilitation Program](#)
- B. [Hearing and Speech Guidelines](#)
- C. [Infant Hearing Education, Assessment, Reporting Referral \(IHEARR\) Act](#)

CRITERIA/REQUIREMENTS/DISEASES FOR MEDICAL REFERRAL

- A. Newby, Hayes, A. Audiology. 6th Ed. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall 1992.
- B. Act 262, Hearing Aid Sales Registration Law PL 1182, No. 262 November 24, 1976, Rules 28 PA Code Chapter 25 and Regulations of August 26, 1978.
- C. Custom Earmold Manual. Revised 6th Ed., 1998. Microsonic, Inc., 1421 Merchant Street, PO Box 184, Ambridge, PA 15003. Phone – 1-800-523-7672.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- A. The Pennsylvania Hearing Healthcare Association offers a pre-examination seminar prior to each examination. For further details write: **PHAA, P.O. Box 4342 Gettysburg, PA 17325 717-599-0999 Email: paha@centurylink.net**
- B. Training Manual for Professionals in the Field of Hearing Instrument Sciences and the NIHIS books listed above may be obtained from The National Institute for Hearing Instruments Studies (NIHIS). Phone – 1-800-521-5247 or (734) 522-7200.
- D. Prepared seminars, courses, and training sessions are available and may be purchased from the International Hearing Society, 16880 Middlebelt Road, Suite 4, Livonia, MI 48154-3367, Phone – 1-800-521-5247 or (734) 522-7200. www

GENERAL OVERALL TEXTBOOKS

- A. Audiology: Science to Practice (2nd Ed., 2013) Kramer, Steven with James Jerger & H. Gustav Mueller
- B. Introduction to Audiology (12th Ed., 2014) Martin, Frederick & John Clark
- C. Strategies for Selecting and Verifying Hearing Aid Fittings (2nd Ed. 2002) Valente, Michael
- D. Audiology: Diagnosis (2nd Ed., 2007) Roeser, Ross; Michael Valente, Holly Hosford Dunn
- E. Audiology: Treatment (2nd Ed., 2007) Valente, Michael; Holly Hosford-Dunn, Ross Roeser
- F. Audiology: Practice Management (2nd Ed., 2007) Hosford-Dunn, Holly; Ross Roeser, Michael Valente
- G. Handbook of (Central) Auditory Processing Disorders, Vol. II (2nd Ed., 2013) Chermak, Gail; Frank Musiek
- H. Handbook of (Central) Auditory Processing Disorders, Vol. I (2nd Ed., 2013) Musiek, Frank; Gail Chermak
- I. Digital Hearing Aids (2008), Schaub, Arthur.
- J. Sandlin's Textbook of Hearing Aid Amplification: Technical and Clinical Considerations (3rd Ed., 2014) Metz, Michael J.
- K. Consultative Selling Skills for Audiologists (2011) Taylor, AuD., Brian.
- L. Geriatric Audiology (2nd, 2010) Weinstein, Barbara.