LEOFF Application for Payment of Services Case No: 05-18

Please Print Clearly & Legibly – Incomplete Form Will Be Returned

A) This Section To Be Completed by Member

Member Name: [redacted]

Member Telepho[redacted]

Member Address: [redacted]

Alternate Contact/Phone: [redacted] Em[redacted]

Describe Your Condition and Why It Is Duty Related: Loss of Hearing over years due To Age, gunfire, sirens, & Loud dog barking in ears.

Describe the Service/Treatment Requested: HEARing Aids from Miracle-Ear.

Total Cost of Treatment/Service: $ 3,800 . 00

Amount Paid by Insurance/Medicare: $ Ø .

Amount Requested from the Board $ 3800 . 00

LEOFF member-Please attach the Explanation of Benefits statement(s) from your insurance provider(s) and/or Medicare wh[redacted] this treatment/service.

Member Signature: [redacted] Date: 03-06-18

[redacted]ttorney if signed by the alternate contact.

B) This Section To Be Completed by Member's Attending Health Care Provider

Provider's Name: [redacted] Provider's Telephon[redacted]

Clinic/Office Nan[redacted] Center, Inc.

Provider's Addres[redacted] NE, Olympia

Describe the Patient's Current Condition and State Whether It Is Duty Related: [redacted]

a sensorineural hearing loss that impacts 50% of conversational speech sounds. There is a greater likelihood than not that a portion of the loss is duty related

Describe Your Recommended Treatment Plan and Why It Is Medically Necessary:

Amplification (hearing aids) is the traditional treatment. A loss of this degree has been shown to increase potential for depression if untreated

Please Describe Any Reasonable Alternative Treatment Plans. Include Expected Outcome & Costs:

There are no other forms of treatment, other than different types of hearing aids

Provider's Signature: [signature] Date: 3/9/2018

Fax completed form to: (360) 709-2735 or

Mail to: City Of Olympia HR Dept, PO Box 1967, Olympia WA 98507-1967

March 6, 2018

Carl Watts, City of Olympia

LEOFF Disability Board

Ref : Claim for Hearin[redacted]

Enclosed are the following :

1.) A referral letter to an audiologist from my primary Doctor,[redacted] Providence Medical Group Hawks Prairie Family Medicine.
2.) Three (3) current hearing tests/exams. One each from Doctor referred Audiologist Tom Putaansuu from the Hearing Healthcare Center located at Lilly & Ensign rds, Olympia, Hearing Specialist Jamie Clauson from Tumwater Costco, and Hearing Specialist Gene Bowling from Miracle-Ear on College St, Lacey.
3.) You require two quotes from Audiologists, one being from Costco. However, Costco does not employ an audiologist, only Hearing Specialists. I have enclosed three (3) quotes : one from an Audiologist, one from Specialist Clauson (6 years experience) from Costco, and one from Specialist Bowling (19 years experience) from Miracle-Ear.

After experiencing the three different tests/exams, the trial fittings from each, the rapport I received with each, and my extensive research, I respectfully request to be allowed to obtain hearing aids from Miracle-Ear. Miracle-Ear's tests/exams were more thorough and extremely similar to that of the Audiologist. Costco's were not. Also, with technology changing so rapidly, it appears that Costco may be one year to one and a half years behind with their hearing aids.

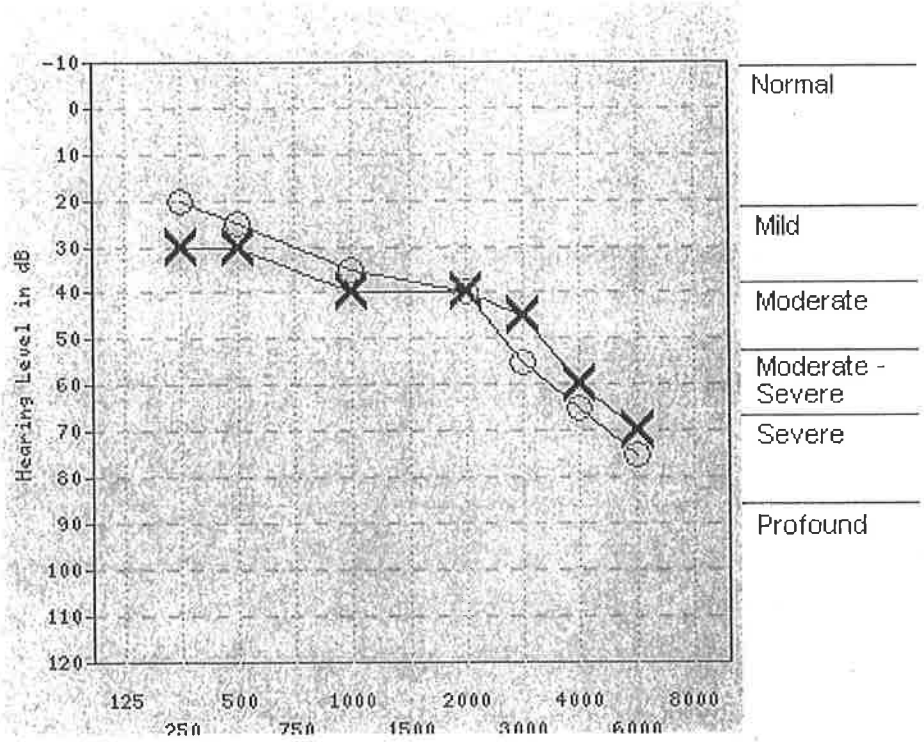
Thank you very much for your time and consideration,

[redacted]

Audiological Evaluation

02-05-2018

[redacted]



Audiometric Symbols

X - Left Ear (AC)
> - Unmasked Bone (left)
O - Right Ear (AC)
< - Unmasked Bone (right)

Left Ear Hearing Loss

Level: Level 2 - Mild (26 to 40 DB)
Type: Sensorineural

Left Ear Hearing Levels In dB

Levels:	125	250	500	750	1K	1.5K	2K	3K	4K	6K	8K
Threshold:		30	30		40		40	45	60	70	
UCL:											
BC:											

Right Ear Hearing Loss

Level: Level 2 - Mild (26 to 40 DB)
Type: Sensorineural

Right Ear Hearing Levels In dB

Levels:	125	250	500	750	1K	1.5K	2K	3K	4K	6K	8K
Threshold:		20	25		35		40	55	65	75	
UCL:											
BC:											

Left Ear Speech Audiometry

Hearing Level: Yes
Rcpt Threshold:
Most Comf Level:

Left Matrix Selection

Power Level:
Peak Gain:
Slope:

Discrimination In Quiet

Speech Level:
Score:

Right Ear Speech Audiometry

Hearing Level: Yes
Rcpt Threshold:
Most Comf Level:

Right Matrix Selection

Power Level:
Peak Gain:
Slope:

Discrimination In Quiet

Speech Level:
Score:

SRT	L	Mask	R	Mask	L	R	Binaural			
	Threshold, Headphones, Spondaic Words, Unaided									
WR	%	dB	Mask	%	dB	Mask	%	dB	dB	Binaural
	Discrimination, Headphones, Phonetically Balanced, Unaided									
WRN	%	dB	Noise	%	dB	Noise	%	dB	dB	Noise
	Discrimination, Headphones, Phonetically Balanced, Unaided									
MCL	L	R	Binaural		UCL/LDL	L	R	Binaural		
	Most Comfortable Level, Headphones, Conversational Speech, Unaided					Uncomfortable Level, Headphones, Unaided				

Remarks:

Hearing Healthcare Center, Inc.

Medical Resource Center
3525 Ensign Rd NE, M-1
Olympia, WA 98506
(360) 491-9733

Bristol Court
2401 Bristol Ct SW, B-104
Olympia, WA 98502
(360) 754-0305

Steck Medical Center
1299 Bishop Rd
Chehalis, WA 98532
(360) 740-4050

February 24, 2018

[redacted]posal. Hearing aids proposed are fit to L&I candidates. Hearing aids come with 3-year warranty, including coverage for accidental loss and damage, and batteries for 3 years.

Siemens/Signia Pure 312 7nx	$5980
Siemens/Signia Pure 312 5nx	$5080

Sincerely,

Tom Putaansuu, M.Ed.
Clinical Audiologist

Hearing Healthcare Center, Inc.
Audiologist/Owner Tom Putaansuu, M.Ed
Web: www.hhcnorthwest.com Email: Tom@hhc.comcastbiz.net

Miracle-Ear Center
1110 College St SE Suite A
Lacey, WA 98503

February 27, 2018

[redacted]

Please accept my proposal to fit [redacted]ne hearing aid; which are two 5500 RIC-BTE's that include a 3 year warranty. The cleanings, adjustments and hearing evaluations are free for the life of the hearing aids (approx. 5 years). I will do this for the prior agreed discounted amount of $3800. If you have any further questions please give our office a call at (360)923-0464.

Thank You,

Gene Bowling

Hearing Instrument Specialist

WA LIC# 950

Telephone: 360 923-0464

Fax: 360 923-2438

Costco Wholesale
5500 Littlerock RD SW
Tumwater, WA 98512
360-357-8470

To Whom it may co[redacted]

I recently met with [redacted]ometric evaluation. After the hearing test we discussed the hearing aid options available to him. I recommended the Resound Forte RIC Hearing instruments. They are $2499.99 for a pair. They come with a 3 year warranty and a 2 year Loss and damage. All care and maintenance is provided for no additional fee. These HA's are the newest digital and blue tooth technology. If you have any further questions please feel free to reach me at my office.

Jayme Clauson
Senior HA specialist
Tumwater Costco