

Audiological Services for the IFSP

The following services should be listed on the initial IFSP as these services will be requested during first year:

- a) Hearing aid evaluation, fitting, and follow-up (fine tuning hearing aids, evaluate proper hearing aid function, monitor use)
- b) Remake/modify earmolds as needed (every 2-4 months depending on child's growth rate). Earmolds should not easily come out of the ear, emit a whistle due to an ill fit, or cause the child discomfort).
- c) Follow-up hearing testing to further define hearing loss (degree, configuration, type) and to monitor hearing levels.
- d) Family education to discuss results of evaluation, care and use of hearing aids, encourage adjustment to hearing aids, wearing schedule, implications of hearing loss, etc.

The Prior Authorization form for amplification should include the following services:

- hearing aids or hearing aids digital - monaural or binaural
- hearing aid evaluation/examination and selection - monaural or binaural
- dispensing fee – monaural or binaural
- (Earmolds) hearing service miscellaneous
- hearing aid management
- hearing aid batteries
- hearing aid supplies – pediatric hearing aid kit

Ongoing hearing services anticipated for duration of IFSP (1 year). Services should include:

- hearing testing procedures (up to four visits)
- family counseling and training
- direct child treatment