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Medicare Coverage of Hearing Services

MEDICARE AND HEARING SERVICES: WHAT IS COVERED?

- **Medicare covers** <u>diagnostic testing provided by an audiologist</u> when a physician or non-physician provider (nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist, or physician's assistant) orders/refers the evaluation for the purpose of investigating hearing loss, tinnitus, dizziness, or other ear-related concerns. The testing helps determining appropriate medical or surgical treatment of a hearing deficit or related medical problem.
 - This is not true of "hospital only" Medicare services.
- Medicare does not cover <u>hearing aids</u>. Many supplemental and private insurances do provide some hearing aid benefits, however. We will verify if you have any of this coverage.

WHAT DO I REQUEST FROM MY MEDICAL PROVIDER?

- Coverage and payment for audiology diagnostic tests requires an "order/referral for hearing testing or hearing evaluation."
- This referral must be faxed to our clinic at 907-451-4325 or emailed to <u>office@auroraaud.com</u> prior to scheduling your hearing test. Once received, we will contact you.

Thank you for choosing Aurora Audiology. We look forward to assisting you with your hearing healthcare!