

Checklist for Hearing Aid and FM Fitting

Subject #: _____ D.O.B. _____ Date Completed: _____

1. Hearing Aid Make: _____ 2. Model: _____ 3. Type: _____
 4. Fitting: monaural _____ binaural _____
 5. FM use: home _____ school _____

6. During the first year after your child was fit with hearing aids, how many hours a day did she/he wear them? _____ Hours _____ Child was fit less than 1 year ago

7. Current use time:

8. How many **hours a day** does your child currently wear the aid(s)?

Monday-Friday _____

Saturday-Sunday _____

Data Logging: Right _____ Left _____

9. When your child wakes from sleep (morning or nap), how much time does she/he require before the hearing aid goes on? _____

Put an X in the boxes below to indicate how consistently your child uses HAs in the situations listed:

Situation	Never (0)	Rare (1)	Sometimes (2)	Often (3)	Always (4)	N/A
10. Car						
11. PreSchool/School						
12. Day Care						
13. Meal Time						
14. Playing Alone						
15. Book Sharing						
16. Playground						
17. Public (store, zoo, restaurant)						

18. Describe any other situations when the child does not typically wear the hearing aid (not covered above). _____

19. Are there any particularly challenging times or situations for you or the child for keeping the hearing aid(s) on? _____

20. Has your child been without her/his hearing aid(s) for an extended period of time (>7 days) in the past year? _____ Yes _____ No

21. If yes, please estimate how long your child was without hearing aid(s)

____ 8-14 days ____ 15-21 days ____ 22-30 days ____ 1-2 months

____ 2-3 months ____ 3-6 months ____ 6-12 months ____ >12 months

22. Were one or both ears affected? One ear Both ears

23. What prevented your child from wearing her/his hearing aid(s)?

Ear infection

Ear pain (ex: swimmer's ear, sore spot in ear)

Hearing aids were damaged and needed repair

Hearing aids were lost and needed replacement

Earmolds needed to be replaced due to loss, damage or child growth

24. Other, please specify: _____

25. If the hearing aid(s) were lost or broken, were loaner hearing aids available to use?

Yes NO

26. If yes, were you required to pay a fee for this service? Yes No

About the hearing aid and its care	Accurate	Partly Accurate	Not Accurate	Comments:
27. Describe how you check the hearing aid(s)				28.
29. How do you know if the battery is dead?				30.
31. How do you ensure child safety with the HAs?				32.
33. What can cause a HA to whistle or have feedback?				34.
35. If the hearing aid gets wet from sweat or a sprinkler, what would you do?				36.

37. How often do you **listen** to your child's hearing aid? never/once a year, 1x/mo, 1 x/week, once a day

38. Anything else we should know? _____

IF CHILD DOES NOT USE FM STOP HERE

PERSONAL FM USE QUESTIONS

39) Does your child have an FM system for personal (outside of school) use? yes no.

If you answered yes to question #39 please answer questions 40-51 regarding your child’s use of personal FM.

40) At what age was the FM system dispensed?

41) Please choose one of the following to indicate how the FM was funded:

- Parents purchased the FM
- Private health insurance
- Medicaid
- EHDI or other birth to three funding program
- School provides FM for use at home
- Not purchased, it is a loaner system
- Other

42) What is the average use time of your child’s personal FM system per day? Please do not indicate the time your child uses FM in day care, pre-school or K-12 classroom

0 hours 1-2 hours 3-4 hours 5-6 hours 7-8 hours 8+ hours

43) Who is the primary user (uses more than 50% of the time) of the FM transmitter when used for personal use (e.g., outside of school)?

44) Who else uses the FM transmitter with your child “outside of school”? Check all that apply:

mother father grandparents babysitter siblings other

45) Put an X in the boxes below to indicate how consistently your child uses the personal FM system in the following situations:

Situation	Never (0)	Rare (1)	Sometimes (2)	Often (3)	Always (4)	N/A
Car						
Mealtime						
Book Sharing						
Playground						
Public (store, zoo, restaurant)						
Home						
Other (specify)						

46) FM can also be used to access sound from other devices. Which of the following devices does your child use with FM?

- TV
- Telephone
- IPOD
- Laptop
- DVD player at home
- DVD player in car
- Other
- None

47) How do you check the function of the FM?

visual inspection

check of battery status on transmitter

listening check with stethoset

other _____

48) Have you had any problems with your child's personal FM system?

If yes, describe _____

49) Do you believe the personal FM benefits your child? yes no

50) What do you like best about personal FM use with your child?

51) What, if anything, do you find frustrating or problematic about personal FM use with your child?

PRE-SCHOOL/DAYCARE FM USE QUESTIONS

52) If your child is below 5 years of age and in pre-school or day care, is FM used in this setting? yes no. If yes, please answer questions 53-56 regarding your child's use of FM in pre-school and/or day care.

53) What is the average use time of the FM system during pre-school/day care per day?

0 hours 1-2 hours 2-4 hours 4-6 hours 6-8 hours 8+ hours

54) What type of FM system does your child use in pre-school/day care?

sound field personal system with integrated receivers personal system with universal receivers bluetooth device (e.g. ICOM or similar) unsure other _____

55) Who provided the FM system your child uses in pre-school/day care?

pre-school/daycare provides entire system

parents provide the entire system

parents provide receivers, preschool/daycare provides transmitter

parents provide transmitter, pre-school/daycare provides receivers

other _____

56) Who provides troubleshooting and maintenance of the FM system your child uses in pre-school or day care?

educational audiologist private audiologist teacher parent

other _____

SCHOOL AGE FM USE QUESTIONS

57) If your child is school-age (kindergarten or older), is FM used at school? yes no.
If yes, please answer questions 58-64 regarding your child's use of FM at school.

58) What type of FM system does your child use?

sound field personal system with integrated receivers personal system with universal receivers bluetooth device (e.g. ICOM or similar) unsure other _____

59) Who purchased the FM system your child uses at school?

school provides entire system

parents provide entire system

parents provide receivers, school provides transmitter

parents provide transmitter, school provides receivers

other _____

60) If your child uses a sound field system, skip this question. If your child uses binaural hearing aids, does the FM transmitter send the sound to both hearing aids? yes no unsure

61) Who provides troubleshooting and maintenance of your child's school FM system?

educational audiologist private audiologist teacher parent

other _____

62) Estimate the average use time of the FM system during the school day:

0 hours 1-2 hours 3-4 hours 5-6 hours 7-8 hours 8+ hours _____

63) What type of FM system does your child use at school?

sound field personal system with integrated receivers personal system with universal receivers bluetooth device (e.g. ICOM or similar) unsure other _____

64) Did you have difficulty obtaining FM system for your child's use at school?

yes no. If yes, describe _____

Guidelines for Hearing Aid Care Table

Describe how you check the hearing aids:

Use stethoset
Cup in hand and listen for feedback/whistling
Ling six or other sound check with child participation
Ask child directly
Hold in hand to feel vibration (for BCHA)

How do you know if the battery is dead?

No whistling sound when HA is cupped in hand.
Use battery tester
Child reports when HA is dead
Listen to HA with stethoset

How do you ensure child safety with the hearing aids?

Use tamperproof feature on HA
Constant monitoring
Always store in case or other safe place when not in use.

What causes a HA to whistle

Earmold not in all the way
Earmold too small; time for new ones
Something is right next to HA
Child has taken HA out
HA is broken (cracked case/earhook)
Earmold tubing needs to be changed

If the hearing aid gets wet, what do you do?

Dry off with a cloth or paper towel and let air dry w/battery door open
Put in dry & store or dessicant tub/container
Send to fitting professional for repair