

Hearing Health Matters!

Greater emphasis is being placed on hearing healthcare.

Did you know?

Teachers experience hearing loss to a greater degree than people in other professions.¹

Teachers are at a higher risk for noise-induced hearing loss.²

Much like regular health indicator checks and screenings, baseline hearing tests are simply a good idea!

Where should I go?

With so many hearing clinics out there, it becomes difficult to choose what's right for you.

Audiology practices within the Ontario Association of Professional Audiology Clinics (OAPAC) are:

- Audiologist owned-and-operated. As such, they are fully regulated. No misleading advertising; no testimonials; no quotas; no franchises. You are completely protected.
- Not limited or restricted. As independents, they can work with you to prescribe what's best for you. They can choose from 10 different manufacturers.
- The minimum requirement to practice Audiology in Ontario is a Masters Degree or equivalent. The current trend in Canada is to obtain a Doctorate Degree in Audiology (Au.D.).

✓ Retired teachers typically have coverage for hearing tests and hearing aids. Check your insurance policy. Ask about **OAPAC Specials exclusive for retired teachers.**

Start your journey to better hearing today! To find an OAPAC clinic near you, call **1-844-41-2-HEAR** (4327) ~ Available 24/7 or visit **www.oapac.ca**


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1. <https://www.hear-it.org/teachers-are-higher-risk-noise-induced-hearing-loss> | 2. <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/school-noise-levels-causing-teachers-hearing-loss-1.1184350>