

Audiologists should be required to inform their patients about telecoils in hearing aids

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The audiologist from whom I bought my first hearing aid failed to tell me anything about telecoils or the loop. Nor did the second audiologist I went to for another hearing aid. I went for years in ignorance when I really could have taken advantage of the loop. I first heard of telecoils at HLAA meetings that I attended. I made sure the next hearing aids I got were properly equipped. Just today I went to a funeral service for a friend and being able to turn on the telecoils made all the difference for me.

Hearing aids cost thousands of dollars. A simple explanation of telecoils takes maybe 5 minutes. Please do all you can to mandate such a simple, cost-free help to hearing aid consumers.

Thank you.

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