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I am the husband of a hearing impaired person who now has 2 cochlear implants and still struggles with hearing on a daily basis. Conversation with one on one is ok but in a crowd it is hard and in a church hearing the sermon was a hit and miss thing until we had the loop put into our church. Now she can hear everything that is spoken by the priest and the choir and does not hear the baby crying in the back of the church. I am concerned about all the others with hearing aids that do not know what T-coils are and the benefit they provide as so many have not been made aware of this device which adds very little to the initial cost of a hearing aid. I think everyone should be made aware of the advantage of the tele-coil when they are purchasing their hearing aid. Too many people wearing hearing aids are not aware of the T-coil and struggle with their hearing aids and many give up on wearing them as they do not see them helping which could have changed if they had been told of the benefits of the T-coil. Lets give all our people the knowledge and benefits of the tele-coils by at least requiring that they have been instructed in the benefits by signing a form so stating that they have received the knowledge and benefits.

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