Below are some questions that you will be asked during your appointment. It may be helpful to think about this information prior to attending your appointment so that we can obtain an accurate history.

When did you first notice any hearing difficulty?

Does you hearing change day to day?

Do you feel that one ear hears better than the other? If so which is the better ear?

Have you previously been seen by an Ear, Nose and Throat doctor or had surgery on your ears? If yes, please give details.

Have you ever had a perforated ear drum?

Do you suffer with regular pain, discharge or infections in your ears?

Do you have tinnitus (noise in the ears or head) which you find troublesome? If yes, please give details.

Do you suffer with vertigo (feeling that your surroundings are moving)? If yes please give details.

Do you have any discomfort with particular sounds? You do not need to include excessively loud sounds.

Have you worked in noisy environments in the past?

Is there any family history of hearing loss? You do not need to include hearing loss as a result of noise exposure or age related hearing loss.

Have you previously had a head injury?

Do you have any difficulty with sight or dexterity (movement) in your hands?

Do you have a cognitive impairment?

Do you currently take any medication?

Do you have any allergies?

Do you have a PVP shunt or a pacemaker?

Do you have any medical health conditions?

Please bring an up to date list of medication to your appointment.

Please take some time to think about the situations that it is important for you to be able to hear and any situations where you may have difficulty hearing.

Below are some examples where people frequently report hearing difficulty.

Hearing the television

Hearing family members or friends

Hearing on the telephone

Hearing in social situations

Hearing during an exercise class

Hearing at a religious service

Hearing in meetings

Hearing colleagues at work