



## **Otoacoustic Emissions**

If you have received an appointment for an **Otoacoustic Emissions Test (OAE)** this will last approximately **15 to 30 minutes.** 

## What will happen at my appointment?

You will see an Audiologist who will perform the test. The test aims to identify whether the tiny hair cells in your inner ear are functioning normally by playing a sound into your ear and measuring the response.

The Audiologist will insert a soft plug into your ear and you will hear a clicking noise which will last for several minutes. You do not need to do anything during the test, just try to stay as still and quiet as possible. The Audiologist will send the results of the test back to Ear Nose and Throat (ENT) and they will arrange an appointment to go through the results with you. If you have any questions during the appointment do feel free to ask.

## Who can I bring?

Please feel free to bring a family member or a friend with you. Please let us know before your appointment if you need an interpreter or any special assistance.

If you do need interpretation we would advise you to use one of our interpreters rather than a family member or friend.

If you have problems reading small print please let your Audiologist know at your appointment.

## **Additional information**

If you have any questions about your appointment you can contact us by phone, fax or email.

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