

## PATIENT INFORMATION

# Speech Test

If you have received an appointment for a **speech test**, this will last approximately **15 to 30 minutes**.

### What will happen at my appointment?

You will see an Audiologist who will perform the test.

- During the test you will be asked to listen to a number of sets of words through a pair of headphones and repeat what you hear.
- The words should start off at an easily audible level but will get quieter as the test progresses.
- Even if you only hear part of the word or what you hear doesn't make sense still repeat exactly what you hear.
- You will not catch all the words especially when they get very quiet so don't worry if you miss one; just keep listening for the next word.
- If you are unsure what you are expected to do at any point during the test please ask.
- The Audiologist will send the results of the test back to Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) and they will arrange another appointment to go through the results with you.

### 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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