Welcome to the Communication Corner

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Communication Corner

The Communication Corner helps make the most of your hearing with fun and engaging activities. From early listening skills to more effective everyday conversations, the Communication Corner supports the needs of children, parents and adults with hearing loss, as well as the professionals who serve them. Whether you use hearing aids, a bone conduction device, or a cochlear implant system, the Communication Corner gives you materials and activities to help you improve communication.

The website includes a range of training opportunities, online and printable resources, and practice tools developed specifically for each age group. It provides guidance on where to start and which program is best for you or your loved one.

Get started today!
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Programs for Various Types of Individuals:
• Young Children and Parents
• School-age Children
• Tweens and Teens
• Adults
• Spanish Speakers

Age-appropriate Programs
Select the age group that best describes the person for whom the program is intended. Each program description comes with a sample exercise so you can 'try it on for size' to see how it fits. Completing the accompanying assessment tool provides guidance on where to start and how best to use the selected program. At the end of the program, you will get a recommendation on which program to begin next.

Program Samples
We provide you with a sample for each communication program. The sample is typically a representative activity for the selected program, providing you with an idea of the skills being developed during the course.

How to Get Started
Each age group has a quick assessment tool that helps guide you to where to start. You will always have access to earlier materials if you would like to practice a skill that you've mastered.
Young Children and Parents

Sound Foundation for Babies

Sound Foundation for Babies provides guidance in developing children's spoken language through listening. The program supports parents in the first 12 months following your child's fitting with a hearing solution such as a cochlear implant, bone conduction device or hearing aid.

The tool consists of 40 weekly programs in the areas of audition, receptive language, expressive language and speech, as well as a song and storybook. The activities are designed to fit easily into everyday life as well as provide the knowledge and understanding of the theory behind the goals identified for each week.

Sound Foundation for Toddlers

Sound Foundation for Toddlers builds on Sound Foundation for Babies, supporting parents through the second year after your child is fit with a hearing solution.

This resource is designed for children of 24 to 36 months of age, consisting of 40 weekly programs in the areas of audition, receptive language, expressive language and speech as well as a song and storybook. You will find hundreds of games, activities and ideas to support you in working on your child's spoken language.

Fun Activities

On a regular basis, Cochlear introduces additional activities that help build a child's communication skills. From Bucket of Frogs to Fun on the Farm, each set has lots of games and activities that help reinforce age-appropriate language as well as vowel and sound concepts. Visit Communication Corner often to see what's new on the Additional Activities page!

School Age Children

Sound Foundation for Children

Sound Foundation for Children is the third in a series of resources designed to guide parents in helping children reach age-appropriate spoken language through listening. This tool supports parents for the third 12 months following acquisition of a hearing solution.

This resource is intended for children 36 to 48 months of age. Like the companion pieces, this tool offers 40 weekly programs in the areas of audition, receptive language, expressive language and speech. Each week has a book and song designed to reinforce the weekly concepts. You will find loads of games and fun activities to continue working with your child on their listening and spoken language.

LEAPing on with Language

LEAPing on with Language is a great resource for parents and classroom teachers. This resource provides practical strategies that aim to accelerate your child's spoken language learning beyond simple sentences to more complex and abstract language, while considering how these skills can be used to develop communicative independence and self-esteem.

LEAP – Listen Expand Achieve Promote!
STAY CONNECTED WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Teens and Adults

Telephone with Confidence

This online training tool is designed to help you gain confidence communicating on the phone. You can practice using the phone with this free service which consists of a toll-free number and rotating word lists and phrases that allow you to follow along online.

This program can be used anywhere you have access to a telephone, can be used with any hearing solution, and provides the opportunity to increase telephone proficiency. Use it to test out different telephone options such as land-lines, cell phones or phone accessories.

Bring Back the Beat App

Bring Back the Beat is a fun music training smart app developed specifically for people with cochlear implants. Many CI recipients state that music just doesn't sound the way it used to. This learning app encourages focused attention and training in a challenging interactive approach. Cochlear implant patients and professionals can download the free app from the Apple® App Store or Google Play and use their Cochlear account login details to access the app.
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As the global leader in implantable hearing solutions, Cochlear is dedicated to helping people with moderate to profound hearing loss experience a life full of hearing. We have provided more than 550,000 implantable devices, helping people of all ages to hear and connect with life's opportunities.

We aim to give people the best lifelong hearing experience and access to innovative future technologies. We have the industry's best clinical, research and support networks.

That's why more people choose Cochlear than any other hearing implant company.

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