



Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center

Communication Disorders Department -Audiology

Policy and Procedure

SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP PROCEDURES

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PURPOSE

To specify follow-up procedures necessary for on-going audiological assessment.

POLICY

Follow-up procedures are provided to individuals of all ages and are utilized to:

1. Determine hearing status after a screening
2. Determine reassessment needs
3. Determine appropriateness of clinical decisions and clinical recommendations
4. Complete or supplement an assessment
5. Monitor hearing status made throughout the course of intervention

Follow-up procedures may result in recommendations for continued treatment or in referral for other examinations or services.

Follow-up procedures are conducted according to the Fundamental Components of Preferred Practice Patterns

PROCEDURES

1. Follow-up procedures may include but are not limited to:
 - a. Hearing screening
 - b. Comprehensive audiologic assessment
 - c. Re-evaluation and re-checks
 - d. Pediatric audiologic assessment
 - e. Hearing aid evaluation/fitting/orientation
 - f. Auditory evoked potentials
 - g. Electronystagmography
 - h. Aural rehabilitation
 - i. OAEs
 - j. Hearing aid checks, fine tuning, replacement/real-ear evaluations
2. A telephone call or re-call letter will be used to request a follow-up evaluation.

3. Other services may include but are not limited to:

- a. Telephone contacts to patients and/or referral agencies.
- b. Verbal or written consultation with other health professionals to monitor status.

For documentation procedures see COD Policy content of the Audiology note.

Source: Preferred Practice Patterns for the Professions of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, ASHA-
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