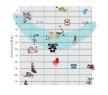
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Rechargeable hearing aids

Many hearing aid manufacturers are now offering a rechargeable hearing aid option for those who have limited dexterity or visual problems that make it difficult to change the batteries.

Some of us prefer the convenience of plugging in our hearing aids alongside our cell phone or tablet at night.

Whether it is for ease of use or convenience, the number of manufacturers offering a rechargeable product is growing. Currently, all of the options are either a behind-the-ear (BTE) or receiver-in-the-canal (RIC, pictured above). Custom in-the-ear (ITE) products will be available in the near future as well.



Rechargeable hearing aids are a great option for those with limited dexterity.



Meet Dr. Finch

Dr. Finch has been an audiologist for 13 years. She took over Mr. Norton's practice after he retired in July of 2016. Dr. Finch has worked for a major hearing aid manufacturer, in a busy ENT office as a clinical audiologist, and at an HMO clinic specializing in hearing aid fittings. She is married with 3 young children and volunteers with the Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts in her town. She looks forward to meeting all of Mr. Norton's patients and continuing their care.

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Connect to your world

Do you do well with your hearing aids except for television? Except for using your cell phone? Except for hearing in a restaurant? Did you know that there are accessories that work with many hearing aids? These accessories can connect to your television, pair to your cell phone, or pair to a mini microphone that your family member of friend can wear. They can connect directly to your hearing aids and significantly improve your hearing in these situations.

Many hearing aids manufactured in the past 5 years have a built-in antennae that connects to accessories. While the specific signal that each manufacturer uses can vary, most of the major manufacturers have options for almost every need. Some require a body-worn relay, called a streamer, that hangs around your neck. Others are able to work directly with the hearing aids.

Alternatively, some hearing aids have a telecoil. A telecoil is another way to use a landline telephone. Many hearing aids have a built-in coil. Some venues, such as PPAC, have assistive listening devices that you can borrow. The devices can connect to your telecoil for better hearing in these situations.





See what's new







We have been busy upgrading our testing and fitting technology to provide you with the most accurate hearing test and hearing aid settings. We are providing options for rechargeable hearing aids, connectivity, and more.