

Newsletter December 2002

BATTERY LIFE

Hearing aids use zinc air batteries. These batteries are not activated until you remove the tab. Therefore they have a very long shelf life – the batteries we have in the office are good until 2005! As long as the tab hasn't been removed and they are stored correctly you can buy a 6 –12 month supply with no fear that the battery life will be compromised. Just keep them in a dry place – don't store them in the refrigerator. Remember, once the tab is removed, you can't replace it. So buy several packages at a time and save yourself frequent trips through the winter months. If you forget your battery size, just remember your tab colour.

XMAS OFFICE HOURS

We will be closed for the holiday season from December 24-29 and December 31 -January 1.

DIGITAL HEARING AIDS

Hearing aid manufacturers have been reporting the advantages of digital technology for more than 5 years. Unfortunately the high cost of these instruments have been prohibitive for many people. In the last year many manufacturers have introduced entry level digital products to the market. While these hearing aids don't have all the processing capabilities of the more expensive models, they do provide clearer digital sound quality and are digitally programmed through the computer. This makes them a more flexible instrument than the conventional analog hearing aids. If you are considering new technology don't forget that hearing aids are always purchased with a minimum 30 day trial period. Currently the Assistive Devices Program provides a \$500 grant per ear for hearing aids every 3 years.

PEEL AUDIOLOGY AND HEARING AID SERVICES

CHRISTMAS COUPON

BUY 5 PACKAGES OF BATTERIES AND GET 2 FREE

Not valid in conjunction with any other offers

Offer expires December 1, 2003
(One coupon per person, not transferable)