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# PEEL AUDIOLOGY & HEARING AID SERVICES

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## Assistive Devices Program Changes

The Assistive Devices Program (ADP) of the Ministry of Health still assists Ontario residents in the purchase of hearing aids with a \$500 grant per ear. However, there have been some recent changes to this policy. **As of June 2011, clients who wish to replace hearing aids that are more than 3 years old will be eligible for the grant only if the hearing aids are not functioning properly and the cost of repair is above a specific threshold.** Generally hearing aids over 5 years old are considered unrepairable. Also, if a client's hearing dropped markedly, they are able to access the grant for replacement. The client's physician is requested to sign the new ADP form stating there is a need for the devices. We will ensure that the physician has a copy of the client's most recent audiological assessment noting the hearing loss and need for amplification.

## Hearing Aid

## Technology

Hearing aids continue to improve and new products are introduced on a regular basis. The advent of bluetooth devices for wireless communication between hearing aids and cell phones, television, ipods etc. has become very popular. This has been wonderful for congenitally hearing impaired teens and young adults who are now able to listen to an ipod just like their friends.

## Growing to help serve your patient's better

Janet and Lynne would like to welcome our new audiologist, Jason Cheung, to our team. Jason, a Brampton native, is a recent graduate of the University of Western Ontario with an MSc in Audiology. Jason joined us in August. He's come to us after recently completing placements at The Hospital for Sick Children and the University of Western Ontario Hearing Clinic. He is all ready becoming an invaluable member of our

team.

Lynne and Janet have been serving the Brampton community for the past 22 years, first at Peel Memorial Hospital and for the past 15 years in private practice.

**Peel Audiology & Hearing Aid Services is a full time clinic providing complete audiological assessments for all ages including hearing aid evaluations and fittings. We offer all makes and models of hearing aids from basic to the most advanced digital technology. All hearing aids are purchased with a minimum 30 day trial period.**

**Appointments can be made by calling Kim or Kathy at 874-4911** or giving your patient a referral to arrange their own appointment. Referrals can also be faxed to 874-0834. If you need more referral pads please call us.

Thank you for your continued support!!