

# Characteristics of Amplification Tool (COAT)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Our goal is to maximize your ability to hear so that you can more easily communicate with others. In order to reach this goal, it is important that we understand your communication needs, your personal preferences, and your expectations. By having a better understanding of your needs, we can use our expertise to recommend the hearing aids that are most appropriate for you. By working together we can find the best solution for you.

1) Please list the top three situations where you would most like to hear well. Be as specific as possible.

2) How important is it for you to hear well? Mark an X on the line.

*Not Very Important* ..... *Very Important*

3) How motivated are you to wear and use hearing aids? Mark an X on the line.

*Not Very Important* ..... *Very Important*

4) How well do you think hearing aids will improve your hearing? Mark an X on the line.

I expect them to:

*Not be helpful* ..... *Greatly improve hearing*

5) What is your most important consideration regarding hearing aids?

Rank the following factors in order with 1 as the most important and 4 as the least important.

Place an X on the line item has no importance to you at all.

\_\_\_ Hearing aid size

\_\_\_ Improved ability to hear and understand speech

\_\_\_ Improved ability to understand speech in noisy situations (e.g., restaurants, parties)

\_\_\_ Cost of the hearing aids

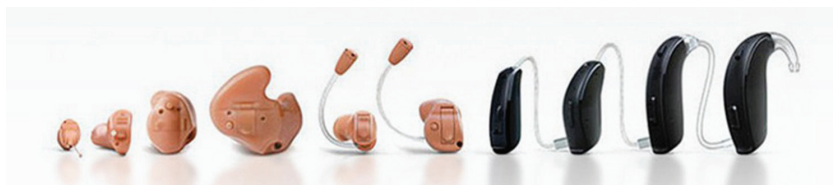
6) Do you prefer hearing aids that: (check one)

\_\_\_ are totally automatic so that you do not have to make any adjustments to them

\_\_\_ allow you to adjust the volume and change the listening programs as you see fit.

\_\_\_ no preference

7) Look at the picture of the hearing aids below. Please place an X on the picture or pictures on the style you would **NOT** be willing to use. Your audiologist will discuss with you if your choices are appropriate for you - given your hearing loss and physical shape of your ear.



8) How confident do you feel that you will be successful in using hearing aids?

*Not Very Confident* ..... *Very Confident*

**Thanks you for answering the questions. Your responses will assist us in providing you with the best hearing healthcare.**