

Information for patients and carers

Having a Hearing Test and Tympanometry



Your hearing test will be in Audiology at Royal Preston Hospital or Chorley and South Ribble Hospital.



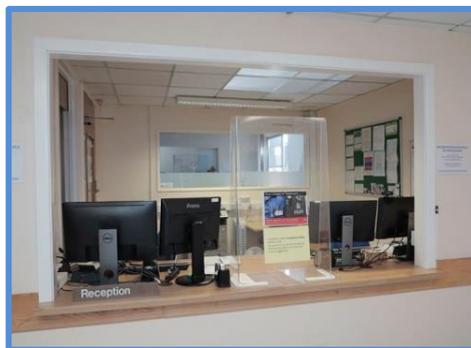
Royal Preston Hospital



Chorley & South Ribble Hospital

You can bring someone with you if you like. This could be a family member, friend or support/care worker.

When you arrive, a member of staff will ask you what your name is.



They will ask you to wait in the waiting room. You should not have to wait longer than 15 minutes.



An audiologist will come and call you from the waiting area. An Audiologist is trained to help people with their hearing.



They will take you to a hearing test room.



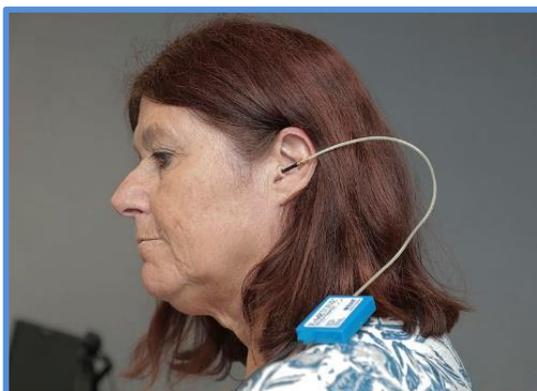
You will sit in a chair or your wheelchair if you have one. We will ask you some questions about your hearing.



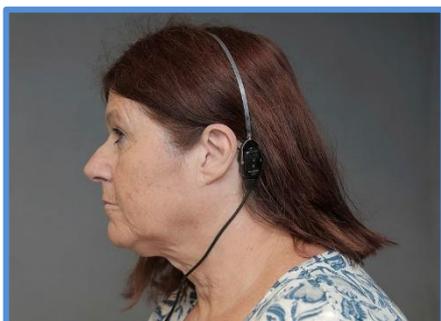
We will look in your ears with an otoscope. This is very quick and will not hurt.



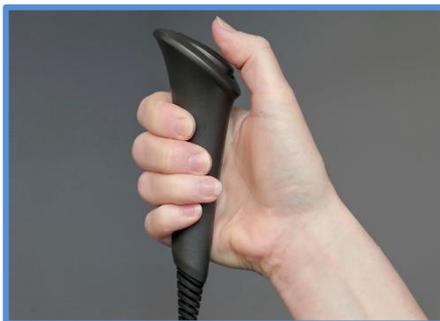
You will be asked to wear some over the ear headphones or we might put earphones in your ears (using small soft sponges) and ask you to listen to some sounds.



We might put an earphone behind your ear. This does not hurt



You might have to press a button when you hear a sound.



Or put a wooden peg in a boat when you hear a sound.



Or a wooden ball on a stick when you hear a sound.



You may have to listen to sounds that come from a speaker.



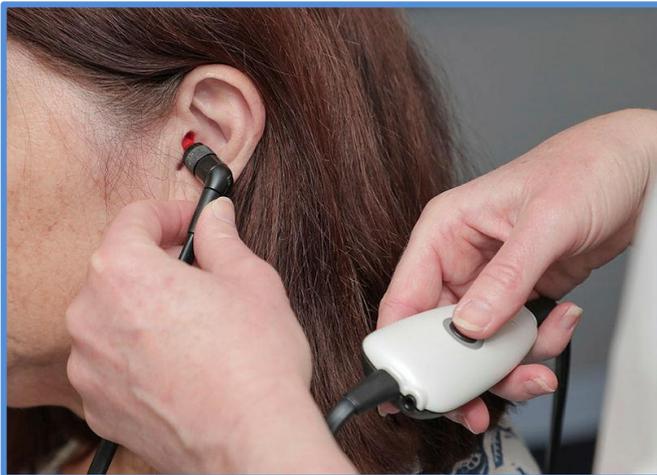
You may have to look at toys that move when you hear a sound.



We may use a machine to test the middle part of your ear to check if it is working properly.



A soft ear tip and probe will be placed in your ears.



You may hear some buzzing sounds and feel some pressure in your ear.

This is very quick and does not hurt.



You do not need to do anything. Just keep still and quiet.



Your hearing test will take about 30 to 60 minutes.

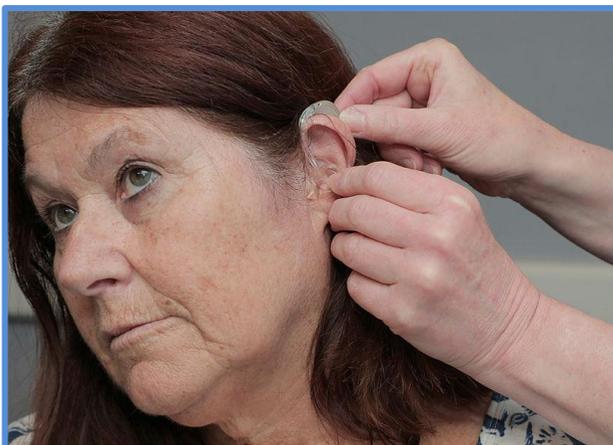
You can have a break if you need one.



The hearing test might show you need some help with your hearing. You might need hearing aids.



We will arrange another time for you to come back and get the hearing aid fitted.



Contact details

Should you require further advice or information please contact:

Audiology Department (Hearing and Balance Service)

Royal Preston Hospital

Sharoe Green Lane

Fulwood

Preston

PR2 9HT

Tel: 01772 522751 Email: hearing.balance@lthtr.nhs.uk

Sources of further information

www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk

www.nhs.uk

www.patient.co.uk

www.accessable.co.uk

All our patient information leaflets are available on our website for patients to access and download:

www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk/patient-information-leaflets

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Please ask if you would like help in understanding this information. This information can be made available in large print and in other languages.

Gujarati:

આ માહિતીને સમજવામાં સહાયતા જોઈતી હોય તો કૃપા કરીને પૂછો. આ માહિતી મોટા છપાણામાં અને અન્ય ભાષામાં ઉપલબ્ધ કરી શકાય છે.

Romanian:

Vă rugăm să întrebați dacă aveți nevoie de ajutor pentru înțelegerea acestor informații. Aceste informații pot fi puse la dispoziție în format mare și în alte limbi.”

Polish:

Poinformuj nas, jeśli potrzebna jest ci pomoc w zrozumieniu tych informacji. Informacje te można również udostępnić dużym drukiem oraz w innych językach

Punjabi:

ਜੇ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਇਹ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਸਮਝਣ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਮਦਦ ਲੈਣੀ ਚਾਹੋਗੇ ਤਾਂ ਕਰਿਯਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਸ ਬਾਰੇ ਪੁੱਛੋ। ਇਹ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਵੱਡੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਟ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰਨਾਂ ਭਾਸ਼ਾਵਾਂ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੀ ਹੈ।

Urdu:

دو سر ی زبانوں او ر بڑی اگر آپ کو ہی معلومات سمجھنے کے لیے مدد کی ضرورت ہے تو ییچھیا جس یبھی دست بو یسکت ہے برا ئے مہر یبان پو ے یچھدی۔ معلومات

Arabic:

مطبوعة بأحرف كبيرة و بلغات إذا كنت تريد مساعدة في فهم هذه المعلومات يُرجى أن تطلب أخرى يمكن توفير هذه المعلومات

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