

# Having a Hearing Test



## Easy Read

# Where will you go?

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



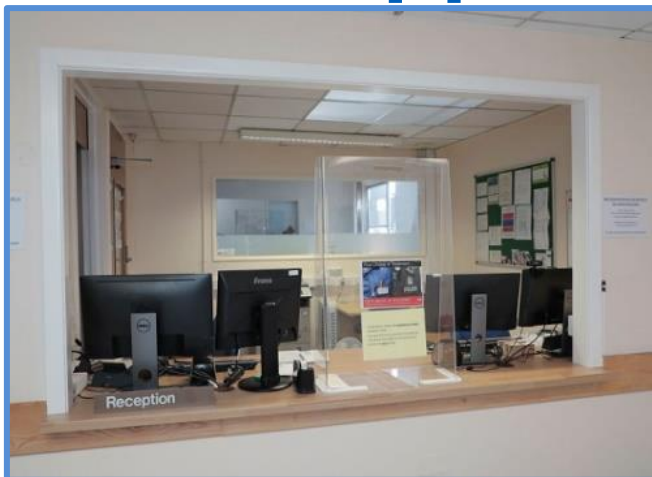
Royal Preston Hospital



Chorley and South Ribble Hospital

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

## What happens first?



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.

# What happens next?



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 earphones. These may be over the ear.



In the ear.



Or behind the ear.



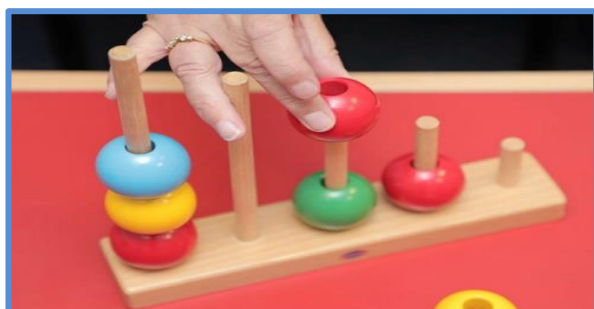
You will then listen to some sounds.



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.



# What happens next?



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



A soft ear tip will be placed in your ear.





You may hear some buzzing sounds and feel some pressure in your ear. This is very quick and does not hurt.

## How long will the test take?



Your hearing test will take about 30 to 60 minutes.

You can have a break if you need one.



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



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

## Any questions?

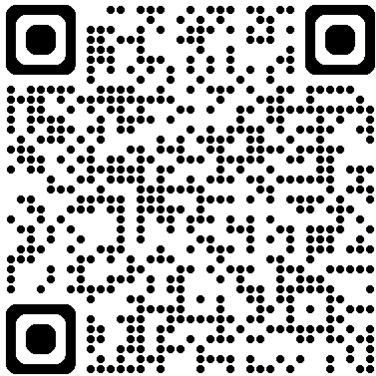


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## Audiology Department Tours

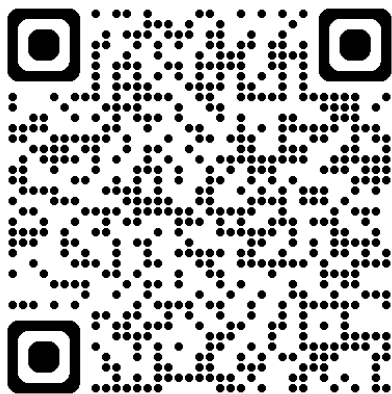
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# Contact details

Should you require further advice or information please contact:

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### **Sources of further information**

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