

Candidacy Evaluation Check List

- Complete case history, including audiologic, otologic, medications
- Otoscope examination
- Tympanometry and Acoustic reflex thresholds
- Pure tone air and bone conduction, Speech Reception threshold, Speech Discrimination testing under earphones/inserts
- Otoacoustic Emissions testing on each ear (Optional)
- Compare Pure Tone threshold data with reference to indications for device under consideration. If thresholds fall in indication space, proceed with candidacy evaluation

CI Candidate

- Hearing aid evaluation; each ear and bilateral
 - electroacoustic measures (either in test box or with real ear probe microphone)
 - Perform Aided Sound Field testing with Optimized "Best Fit" hearing aid(s) utilizing the MSTB materials and procedures
- Review total data set, make final determination as to the Candidacy
- Collect selected questionnaire data (APHAB, COSI, SSQ)
- Counsel. If found to be a CI Candidate, include device counseling and overview of next steps for referral to the implant center
- Prepare formal report for candidacy findings and make referral to cooperating implant center

Baha® Candidate

- Program the Clinic Demo Baha sound processor to the audiometric thresholds
- Perform aided sound field testing using the BKB SIN material following the instructions found in the MSTB manual. This testing can be done first without and then with the Baha on a test band
- Collect selected questionnaire data (APHAB, COSI, SSQ)
- Review total data set, make final determination as to the Candidacy
- Counsel. If found to be a Baha Candidate, include device counseling and overview of next steps for referral to the implant center
- Prepare formal report for candidacy findings and make referral to cooperating implant center

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