



Adult Aural Rehabilitation Services

SPEECHREADING AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES SERVICES

Speechreading, traditionally known as lipreading, is a skill that enhances communication for individuals with hearing loss. Speechreading is more than just watching lips. Proficient speechreaders learn to understand the spoken message by using other cues. These clues may include using residual hearing, prior knowledge, situational or grammatical context, facial expressions and/or gestures. Successful communication may require utilizing communication strategies and conversational techniques as an essential part of learning how to speechread.

Sessions in speechreading and communication strategies help you to recognize individual speech sounds, understand conversational speech and utilize hearing devices for optimal communication. You'll also learn techniques to help you cope effectively with different types of speakers, adverse listening situations and communication situations. Speechreading and communication strategies sessions are tailored to your specific lifestyle, family, vocation and/or social needs.

When you first come in, an aural rehabilitation assessment is scheduled to determine how your needs can best be met. A report is prepared that includes a case history, assessment results, and recommendations for treatment or services. Speechreading and communication strategies are available in individual and/or group sessions. Most assessments, individual and small group sessions are conducted at our offices in West Allis. Classes are held at CCHD and at other sites in the greater Milwaukee area; please inquire about our current availability.

The fee for an Aural Rehabilitation Assessment is \$130.00.

The fees for Speechreading and Communication Strategies are:

Individual	\$52 for each 45-minute session
Groups of 2-3	\$26 for each 45-minute session
Consultation	\$130 per hour*
Classes	\$95.00 for 8 one-hour sessions

If clients are unable to pay the usual fees with personal funds or through insurance, fees may be reduced or waived with approval. For additional information about services available, call Deborah Kravit, Program Director for Adult Services at (414) 604-7205.

* *For off-site services, travel time is charged, portal to portal.*