

Potential Impacts of Untreated Hearing Loss



Reduced Earning Potential/Unemployment

Adults with untreated hearing loss are more likely to be unemployed and, on average, earn significantly lower wages. ¹



Tinnitus
Hearing loss
2x more likely
for those with
tinnitus. ⁶



Dementia/Memory Issues
Dementia risk may be
Up to 5x higher with
Untreated hearing loss. ²



Depression/Isolation/Fatigue
Those with untreated hearing loss were more likely to report depression, anxiety & less likely to participate in organized social activities, compared to those who wear hearing aids. ⁵



Hospitalization
32% more likely for
older adults with
hearing loss. ³

Falling/Balance Issues
Hearing loss tied to
3 fold increase in risk
of falling. ⁴



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