

State Medicaid - Are hearing aid dispensers reimbursed for conducting hearing tests.

STATE	YES	NO	EXPLANATION
CA		√	
CT	√		The state of Connecticut pays hearing aid dealers \$25.90 for a hearing test for the purpose of dispensing hearing aids. Unfortunately, even for audiologist, unless you work with a physician, Medicaid does not pay for a hearing test unless for the purpose of dispensing a hearing aid. The billing for the hearing test is done with a DME number and not the audiologist provider number.
FL			Hearing aid dealers may only bill V5010: hearing aid evaluation
IL	√		IDPA regulation is such that hearing aid dealers can dispense DPA hearing aids
KY	√		Hearing Services Hearing, and hearing aid evaluations, performed by audiologists, and hearing aids dispensed by hearing aid dealers are covered for persons under age 21. Follow-up visits; checkups and certain hearing aid repairs are also covered. Contact Information: For further assistance, please contact the Department for Medicaid Services, Division of Physicians and Specialty Services at (502) 564-2687.
MA	√		Hearing Aid Dispensers can fit a person with amplification only if the patient has had an Audiological evaluation by an audiologist AND this evaluation must specify the hearing aid specifications (i.e. prescription comes from an audiologist).
MI		√	Only audiologists are reimbursed.
MN		√	Minnesota does not reimburse hearing aid dispensers for hearing tests. Hearing aid dispensers tried to pass this type of legislation last year by asking for a federal waiver, but were unsuccessful. They will most likely attempt to pass their legislation again. The Minnesota Academy of Audiology will fight any new attempts
MO			Missouri will pay hearing aid dispensers if the testing was done to fit a hearing instrument.
ND		√	
PA		√	
WI	√		Yes. Wisconsin state Medicaid program recognizes, but does not reimburse, hearing aid dealers as a provider for the hearing testing of Medicaid recipients solely for the purpose of the selection and fitting of hearing aids. Hearing aid dealers can perform the hearing test for the hearing aid prior authorization process solely for the purpose of the selection and fitting of hearing aids for Medicaid recipients. Hearing aid dealers may not perform diagnostic tests and they receive no reimbursement for testing