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HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

- Independence Day, July 4 & 5
- Labor Day, September 2
- Columbus Day, October 14

PATIENT SPOTLIGHT

We would like to highlight the achievements of one of our amazing patients!

Noah has been a patient of Doss Audiology since 2016 when he was diagnosed with unilateral hearing loss and he wears a hearing aid in his right ear. This young man has not let his hearing loss slow him down one bit. He is a star Jiu Jitsu athlete and recently finished 2nd in a big competition!



His father wrote to us: *"He was nervous going into his first 3-minute match, but soon his training took over. He did well going against some bigger kids, using his learned skills to defend himself and not be submitted. His hearing issues worked in his favor, (used his weakness as a strength) drowning out the roaring crowd."*

Congrats Noah, we couldn't be more proud!

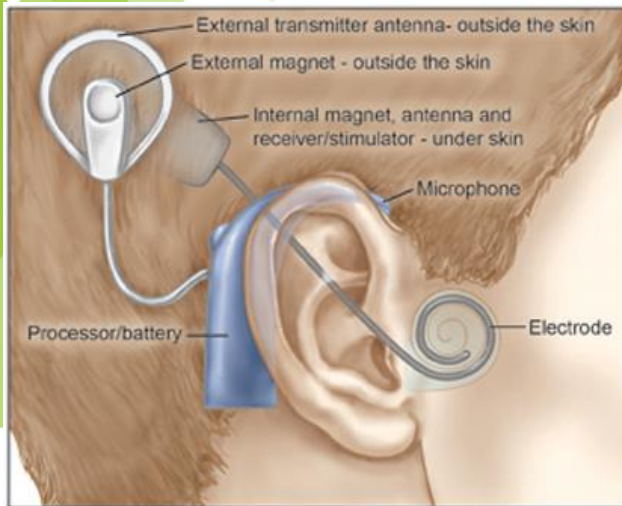
And here is Ms. Alwood zip lining in Branson Missouri!



If you would like to share a story like Noah's or Ms. Alwood's, please email info@dossaudiology.com

Ask the Expert:

WHEN HEARING AIDS ARE NOT ENOUGH – COCHLEAR IMPLANT CANDIDACY



In order to hear and understand effectively, we need volume, but the inner ear must also send a clear signal to our brain for processing of sound. A hearing aid can amplify sounds, improving volume, but if crucial parts of your inner ear are not functioning and sending a distorted signal, a hearing aid may not be enough. For patients with severe to profound hearing loss, a cochlear implant may be able to restore clarity.

A cochlear implant is a two-part surgical device. An internal implant/electrode is placed in the inner ear and an external sound processor (that looks like a hearing aid) is worn on the ear to pick up and process sounds.

With practice and patience, we have seen a lot of success with cochlear implants. No two patients are alike, so if you are curious about cochlear implant candidacy ask your audiologist at your next appointment.

Audiology Corner:

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT HEARING AID BATTERIES

Hearing aid batteries use zinc air technology. That means they use oxygen from the environment as the active ingredient in the battery. A sticker's seal is required to keep oxygen from getting to the battery. As air starts to enter the holes under the sticker, it activates the battery.

Tip #1

Do not peel the sticker off of the battery until you are ready to use it.

Tip #2

Once you remove the sticker it is important to let the battery breathe for at least 1 minute before use. This allows for proper voltage in the battery and longer battery life.

Tip #3

Batteries will slowly drain once you remove the sticker, even if you are not using it.

Tip#4

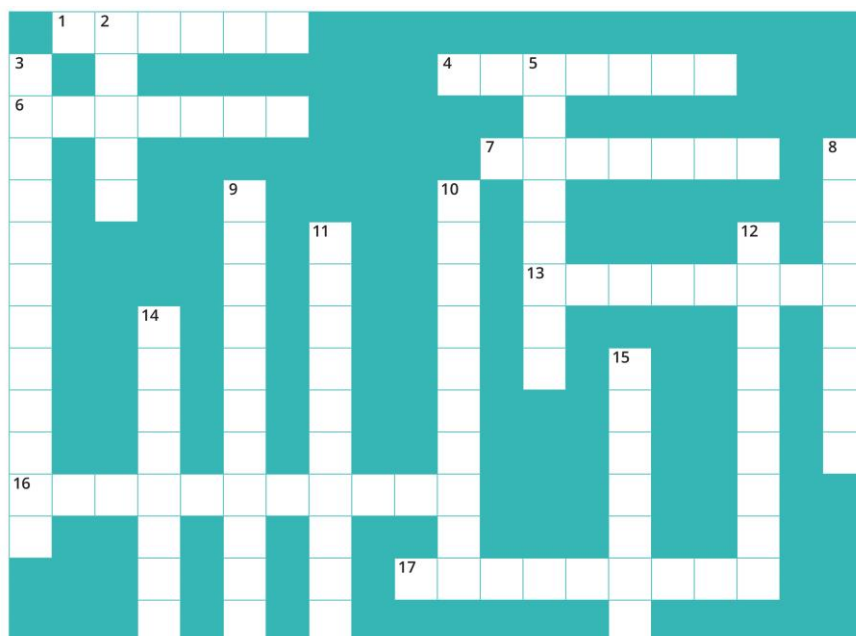
Store batteries in a cool, dry place (not the refrigerator).



Hearing 101 CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across

1. There are three bones in the middle ear, what is another name for the stirrup?
4. Sound is measured in what unit?
6. Tympanic membrane is also called what?
7. This month is National Protect Your Hearing Month.
13. If you are going to be around loud noises, is best to put in a pair of these?
16. Who is the health-care provider for hearing problems?
17. Another term for pitch is?



Down

2. How many parts of ear are there?
3. The portion of the ear that controls balance contains three _____ canals.
5. A person who is deaf may use a _____ implant instead of or with a hearing aid.
8. This instrument is used to look into the ear.
9. This is the third most common health problem in the United States. (2 words)
10. This instrument is used to test your hearing.
11. If you have hearing loss and need to hear better, what device would you use? (2 words)
12. _____ is the study of hearing and balance.
14. What is the term for ringing in your ears?
15. What is the organ responsible for your sense of hearing?

Answer Key: <https://tinyurl.com/y3v6olg4>

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From the Front Desk:

Hearing Aid Wax Traps for Purchase

Effective July 1, 2019, Doss Audiology will be charging for extra packages of wax traps. The cost of the wax traps will be \$5 per pack. They will be available at both the Schertz and Floresville locations. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact 210.819.5002 (Schertz) or 830.542.8957 (Floresville).

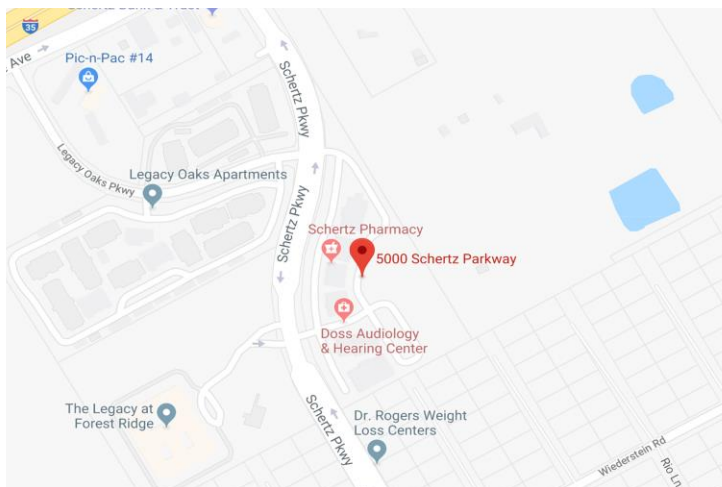
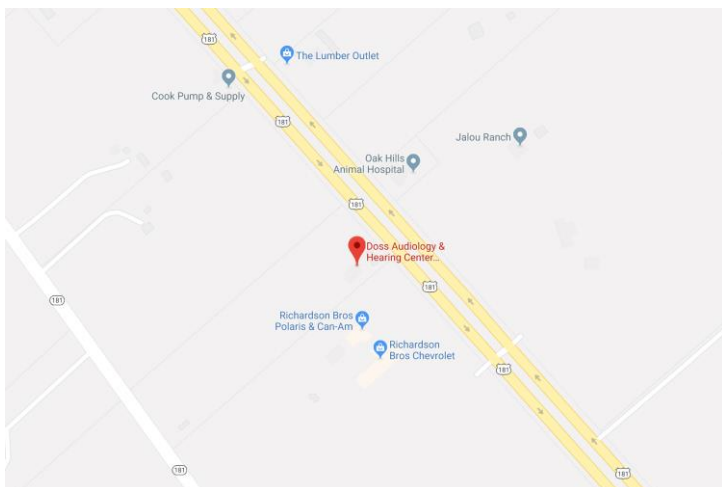




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