OKLAHOMA Rehabilitation Services

OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

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Senior Citizens Hearing Aid Program

The Senior Citizens Hearing Aid Program (SCHAP) is administered by the Department of Rehabilitation Services. To qualify for the program, you must meet four criteria.

1. Be at least 60 years of age.
2. Be a resident of the State of Oklahoma
3. Be on a limited income (see guidelines)
4. Have a 35db hearing loss in your better ear (one of our audiologists will administer a hearing test and determine your degree of hearing loss.

To apply for the program, you must complete an application and send verification of your total income to our office. We are required to have a physical record of your total income in our files. If you currently file income tax with the I.R.S., we need a copy of your return along with verification of any Social Security income. If you do not file with the I.R.S., we need alternative documentation of your income. This must include a copy of a recent bank statement. The SCHAP program has very limited funding and ends every year with a waiting list of consumers we were unable to serve. Being firm about seeing documentation of income helps us feel confident that we are meeting our responsibility of serving low-income senior citizens. We will not be able to authorize your hearing test until we have all the required documentation.

Income Guidelines.

# In family	Monthly income guideline.
1	$2,792
2	$3,776
3	$4,758
4	$5,742
5	$6,726
6	$7,710

If your income is above the guideline, a co-payment will be charged. The co-payment will equal ten percent of the difference between your monthly income, and the monthly income guideline.

We also need to know which audiologist you would like to use. You must select an office from our list of participating audiologists. We will send you a list of participating audiologists with your application form. You can indicate your selection on the slip at the end of the list.

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