



1. Information about the person

First name:	Family name:
Age: 5-17 <input type="checkbox"/> 18-39 <input type="checkbox"/> 40-54 <input type="checkbox"/> 55-64 <input type="checkbox"/> 65+ <input type="checkbox"/> If child is under 5 years of age Refer to ear and hearing professional	Gender: Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>
Address:	Telephone:

2. Screening questions

Ask	Yes	No	
Do you currently use a hearing assistive product that was provided through a hearing service?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If Yes → Continue ear health screen and Refer to existing service provider If No → Continue
Do you have difficulty using speech to communicate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If Yes to any Refer to ear and hearing professional If No to all → Continue
In the last 3 months have you had sudden changes in hearing?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does discharge (fluid) often come out of your ear/s?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

3. Ear health check

Look closely at the outside of each ear			
Do both ears look healthy? (No signs of injury or infection, pinna and ear canal present)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> → Continue No <input type="checkbox"/> Refer to ear and hearing professional and book repeat ear health check after treatment		
Look closely inside each ear with otoscope	Left	Right	
Ear discharge or any sign of infection (Blood, pus, fluid, redness, tenderness)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If any → Dry mop ear before otoscopy. Do not dry mop if person is experiencing significant pain. If ear healthy after dry mop → Continue screen If ear not healthy after dry mop Refer to ear and hearing professional and book repeat ear health check
Ear blocked with ear wax	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If any consider ear washout Before washout → Check if they have: <input type="checkbox"/> Had recent ear surgery <input type="checkbox"/> A known existing hole in their eardrum <input type="checkbox"/> An ear infection <input type="checkbox"/> Ear pain
Foreign body in the ear	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If any above → Do not do an ear washout If none above → Perform ear washout If ear washout successful → Continue screen If ear washout not successful Refer to ear and hearing professional
Hole/s in eardrum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If any Refer to ear and hearing professional
Healthy/no ear problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If both ears are healthy → Plan a hearing test

4. Other assistive products		
Do you have difficulty with:	Vision <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility <input type="checkbox"/> Self care <input type="checkbox"/> Communication <input type="checkbox"/> Cognition (thinking/remembering) <input type="checkbox"/>	If any → Other assistive products and/or referral to other services may assist

5. Plan		
Screen:	Vision <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility <input type="checkbox"/> Self care <input type="checkbox"/> Communication <input type="checkbox"/> Cognition (thinking/remembering) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Assess:	Hearing test <input type="checkbox"/>	
Refer:	Ear and hearing professional <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing aid service <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="text"/>	
Follow up:	Repeat ear health screen <input type="checkbox"/>	Follow up date: <input type="text"/>

How to perform an ear health check		
Step	Action if ear problem	Action if no ear problem
1. Check outside of the person's ear (front and back on each side)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If signs of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injury, infection or Absence/very different shape of ear/ear canal ➡ Refer to an ear and hearing professional. If person has injury or infection → Ask them to return for an ear health screen after they have received treatment. If signs of ear discharge → Dry mop person's ear. 	If outside of ear is healthy → Continue. Look inside person's ear.
2. Look inside the person's ear with otoscope (each side)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If signs of infection ➡ Refer to an ear and hearing professional. Ask the person to return for an ear health screen after they have received treatment. If signs of hole in eardrum ➡ Refer to an ear and hearing professional. If ear canal blocked with ear wax or foreign body is present → Perform ear washout. Always check it is safe to continue before performing washout. 	If inside of ear is healthy → Plan a hearing test.
3. If needed, perform ear washout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If ear washout unsuccessful ➡ Refer to an ear and hearing professional and ask them to return for an ear health screen after they have received treatment. 	If ear washout successful and ear healthy → Plan a hearing test.