



Wellness Services

Dear Audiometric Screening Customer,

Thank you for your interest in Huntsville Hospital Corporate Wellness Services to provide your annual on-site audiograms. We are making every effort to provide even better services to you and your employees and to assist you in your compliance with your OSHA Hearing Conservation Program. The health and safety of your employees is very important to all of us.

In order to accurately monitor the hearing of your employees, it is necessary that we receive all past baseline audiometric data on your employees. If you currently collect post-offer baseline audiograms, we will need to receive a copy of those audiograms from you, the employer, before we come on-site to provide your annual audiograms. In order to ensure proper OSHA compliance, it is essential that each employer send his or her baseline data to us. Our cost is \$1.00 per previously generated baseline to enter into our database to use for comparisons.

I also want to remind you of the importance of having your employees scheduled for their hearing tests. In order to reduce employee wait time and decrease time away from the job, we ask that you prepare a schedule of 2 employees every 10 minutes. If we do not get a steady stream of personnel our costs rise and we will be forced to pass those increased costs on to your company as an on-site/administrative fee.

Pricing:

***OSHA Audiogram- \$35.00**

***OSHA Audiogram with Hearing Conservation Training- \$40.00**

\$200.00 HealthMobile onsite fee

***Prices based on a minimum of 10 employees per hour. If this minimum is not met, an onsite fee of \$100.00 per staff member per hour may apply.**

In order to streamline the make-up testing and retesting process, please let us know where you would like to send your employees. If you would like to use one of the Huntsville Hospital Health System Occupational clinics for your retests and make-ups, we will send a list of employees needing audiograms to the clinic so they can be expecting them. Make-up audiograms should be completed within 30 days.

Upon completion of on-site audiograms we send your results to Environmental Technology Corporation Hearing Solutions *ETC: 11877 Douglas Road, Suite 102, Alpharetta, GA 30005. Their phone number is (770) 475-2055.* Their audiologist (Alyssa Bryant, MD) checks results for validity, determines hearing loss and type and attempts to assign probable cause. All data is entered into their computer files and will then be available for future comparison with baselines to determine if there is a shift. ETC then generates a report reflecting abnormal baselines as well as shifts in hearing and sends letters for each employee in those categories. The employee copy of the letter informs them of the problem while the employer copy contains step-by-step counseling points to be reviewed.

Please feel free to call Rhonda Hurd at the above number with any questions regarding ETC.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the OSHA requirements for standard threshold shifts. The OSHA standard states the following:

1. Employees with a standard threshold shift shall be notified in writing within 21 days of their initial audiogram or as soon as possible.
2. Employees shall be counseled regarding the change in their hearing.
3. Employees not using hearing protection shall be fitted with hearing protectors, trained in their use and care and required to wear them.
4. Employees who use hearing protection shall be refitted and retrained in the use of hearing protectors, or if necessary provided with hearing protection offering greater attenuation.
5. Retesting to confirm that the shift is permanent must be done within 30 days of the initial audiogram and should be done under baseline conditions.

Help us to help you become fully compliant in your OSHA Hearing Conservation Program. Please let me know what you need from me, as I am always available for further consultation. My number is 256-265-0068. Please email your audiogram schedule at least a week prior to on-site testing. The wellness department email address is wellness.department@hhsys.org

Best of Health,

Rachel Murie
Wellness Manager
256-265-0068

HealthMobile Electrical Requirements 208/240 Volts, Single Phase. 30 Amps

The HealthMobile has a 10/4 SJ cord with a Hubbell (HBL2711) 30amp twist lock plug. Power needs to be supplied from a 2 pole 30amp breaker to plug. Plug needs to be plugged into a Hubbell (HBL2713) 30amp 125/250v twist lock connector body or a Nema 14-30r (30amp 125v/250v) twist lock outlet.