

# PHARMACIST LEARNING COURSE FOR OTC HEARING AIDS

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## Championing Hearing Using Accessible Medication Experts at the Community Pharmacy (CHAMP)

### Certificate Program Activity Description

The 2017 Food and Drug Administration Reauthorization Act established a new category of hearing aids to be available over the counter (OTC) to increase accessibility and affordability of hearing aid devices. To prepare for increased consumer demand, pharmacists must be ready to meet the needs of the millions of adults eligible to seek OTC hearing aids at the community pharmacy.

This knowledge-based activity provides 2.5 contact hours of continuing pharmacy education credit.

The target audience for this educational program is pharmacists. Others are welcome to attend.

Learners will receive a badge upon completion of two diagnostic exams and 9 to 10 quizzes demonstrating learning competencies. This program fulfills **competency statements** for pharmacists.

### Learning Objectives

1. Recognize the signs and symptoms of hearing loss.
2. Assess the individual's need for over-the-counter hearing aids.
3. Assist patients in the selection of over-the-counter hearing devices.
4. Collaborate with hearing healthcare professionals to champion hearing health-care.
5. Employ effective strategies when communicating with persons with hearing loss.

### About the Continuing Education Provider

In support of improving patient care, the University of Pittsburgh is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

Course Link: <https://pittprofessional.catalog.instructure.com/courses/champ>