

Resources and references about Hearing Loss, Hearing aids, Blogs and Books

Support Groups

Hearing Loss Association of America

www.hearingloss.org

www.HLAAbq.com

Hands and Voices <http://www.hvnm.org/>

ALDA Association of Late Deafened Adults www.alda.org

SayWhatClub: A Worldwide Forum for People with Hearing Loss www.saywhatclub.com

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf www.agbell.org

American Tinnitus Association www.ata.org

National Association for the Deaf www.nad.org

Telecommunications for the Deaf www.tdi-online.org

AudiologyNet: Audiology Information for the Masses www.audiologynet.com

On line resources

www.betterhearing.org/ Better Hearing Institute, Advocates for America's ears

www.audiology.org American Academy of Audiology has a list of audiologists in NM

www.starkey.com has an on-line hearing test on their website

www.hearingreview.com/ a magazine both on line and paper version. Includes current reviews, and industry information about hearing aid manufacturers, suppliers, etc.

National Institute on Deafness and other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) is part of National Institutes of Health (NIH) for more information on hearing and hearing loss, contact them by email at:

NPInfo@nidcd.nih.gov

AARP –

www.healthyhearing.com/ has tips and articles on hearing loss and hearing aids

Hearing aid Buyer's Guides

www.hearingplanet.com a good resource but requires contacting them to get their hearing aid buyers guide

www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0168-buying-hearing-aid (Federal Trade Commission)

www.consumerreports.org/cro/hearing-aids/buying-guide.htm publishes a brief explanation of hearing aids and advice on purchase – they also have a handbook you can purchase about hearing aid reviews

www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm185723.htm This is an unbiased resource about hearing aids and the legal descriptions of what is regulated and what is not

Local resources

New Mexico Commission on Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons: www.cdhh.state.nm.us/About.aspx

Sources for assistance

Canine Companions www.caninecompanions.org

Service dogs for Hearing: Sam Simon Foundation www.samsimon.org

Service dogs of New Mexico www.servicedogsnm.org

Catalogs to buy assistive listening devices

HARC Mercantile www.harcmercantile.com

Hitec Group International www.hitec.com

Weitbrecht Communications (WCI) www.weitbrecht.com

Harris Communications www.harriscomm.com

Lipreading resources

www.lipreading.org - on line training

www.lipreading.com sells a DVD – I See What you Say

YouTube – multiple sets of lessons

Blogs and articles of special interest

<https://livingwithhearingloss.com/>

<https://katherinebouton.com/> Katherine lists many other blogs that she follows – related to hearing loss – a great writer and resource

Looping and finding loops

<http://www.loopNM.com/> contains a list of facilities in NM that are looped

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hlx3ZlmTw0> this is a YouTube video that demonstrates hearing with and without a loop.

<http://hearingloop.org/> is the primary and the first resource on hearing loops – with articles and lists of references and locations of many loops throughout the country.

Books

Shouting Won't Help by Katherine Bouton

Living Better with Hearing Loss, a Guide to Health, Happiness, Love, Sex, Work, Friends ...and Hearing Aids by Katherine Bouton

The Way I Hear It by Gael Hannan