

Cochlear Implant Candidacy Referral Form

New Brunswick Cochlear Implant Follow-up Services

Chaleur Regional Hospital
1750 Sunset Drive
Bathurst, NB E2A 4L7
1-888-695-9222 (extension 3869)
506-544-3869

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____ (home) _____ (cell)

DOB: _____

Medicare No.: _____ Expiry date: _____

Client wears hearing aids? Yes No Right Left Both

If not, why? _____

Method of communication: Oral Sign language Total communication

Alternate contact: _____ Phone No.: _____

Referred by: _____ Phone No.: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- If you are uncertain about your client's candidacy for a cochlear implant evaluation, please do not hesitate to send us the information below or call us at 1-888-695-9222 (ext: 3869) to discuss the matter.
- We cannot evaluate a client with residual hearing who may benefit from hearing aids until he or she has at least tried using a hearing aid. A cochlear implant is a device of last resort.
- Please inform your client that he or she must be assessed for a cochlear implant in the "best aided" condition (with aided hearing meeting prescriptive hearing aid targets where feasible; binaural fitting if possible).
- The client must present to the appointment with his or her hearing aids and earmolds in good working order.
- A cochlear implant candidacy evaluation may take several lengthy appointments (2 to 4 hours) in Bathurst. Clients who meet the audiology criteria must see a psychologist and, where necessary, a speech-language pathologist at the Chaleur Regional Hospital.
- Clients undergoing a candidacy evaluation must be accompanied by a family member or close friend who will support them throughout the entire pre- and post-op process.

INFORMATION TO SUBMIT WITH THE APPLICATION (IF AVAILABLE):

- ✓ Name of referral source and contact information
- ✓ Most recent audiogram
- ✓ Most recent hearing aid history, fitting information (e.g. Verifit tracings to show prescriptive fitting targets). Is your client's hearing aid fitting acceptable? If not, why?
- ✓ Any other relevant information regarding hearing, etiology, general health, and other professionals involved, etc. that could be helpful.

