4123-6-35 **Payment for hearing aids.**

- (A) When an industrial injury or an industrial accident which causes an injury also damages the claimant's hearing aid(s), payment to replace the hearing aid(s) is approved as follows:
 - (1) For injuries or accidents sustained prior to January 1, 1979, the hearing aid(s) must be in place in the claimant's ear(s) at the time of the injury or accident.
 - (2) For injuries or accidents sustained on or after January 1, 1979, the requirements of paragraph (A)(1) of this rule do not apply.
 - (3) Once hearing aid(s) have been replaced, no further replacement will be approved.
- (B) When a partial loss of hearing is the direct result of an allowed industrial injury or occupational disease, payment for a hearing aid(s) is justified in order to improve the claimant's ability to hear.

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