

Referral guidelines for cochlear implant assessment

For Adults

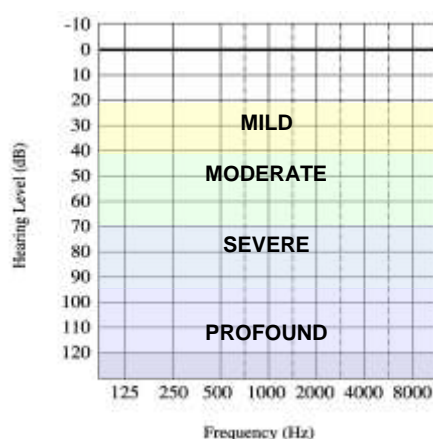
- No maximum age
- Bilateral severe/profound functional hearing loss
- Inadequate benefit from hearing aids demonstrated by a trial of at least 3 months of consistent optimised hearing aid use - preferably prior to referral unless urgent
- Adults with additional needs can be referred

For Children

- Under 19 years old
- No minimum age
- Severe/profound functional hearing loss
- Inadequate benefit from hearing aids demonstrated by a trial of at least 3 months of consistent use, prior to or during the CI assessment period
- Children with additional needs can be referred

URGENT CASES

- Hearing loss following bacterial meningitis
- Sudden onset profound hearing loss



To refer please contact your local centre:

<http://www.bciq.org.uk/type/contact-centre/>