

# ABR TEST INSTRUCTIONS

Appointment is at the **Exton** office. Date/Time \_\_\_\_\_  
Proceed directly to the **Audiology** waiting area.

Please follow these instructions. Failure to do so could result in cancellation.

1. **NO CAFFEINE, NICOTINE, or OTHER STIMULANTS** on the day of the test.
2. **CONTINUE TO TAKE YOUR MEDICATIONS** as prescribed.
3. **Remember your referral** if your insurance carrier requires one. If any portion of this test is not covered by your insurance or a copay is due, you will receive a balance bill from our Billing Department.
4. **Please arrive on time.** Patients arriving more than 15 minutes late will be rescheduled.

The **ABR** is a test which is used to check the condition of nerve pathways. The results will assist your physician in evaluation and diagnosis. Testing takes approximately 30 minutes. The patient will be asked to relax on a table. The skin on the forehead and earlobes will be cleaned with alcohol and a mild abrasive cream. Electrodes will be applied to these locations. The electrodes carry information about nerve activity to the computer. The electrodes do not conduct any kind of signal to the patient. Insert earphones will be placed in the ear canal, and the patient will hear loud clicks. These clicks are not loud enough to do any damage to your hearing. One ear is tested at a time. During the test, it is important that the patient remains relaxed and still with eyes closed.

## **Payment and Cancellation Policy**

**\*\*\*Important:** If you are unable to make your scheduled appointment, please give us at least 48 hours notice. Due to the time required for this testing, we find it necessary to charge \$75 for patients who cancel with less than 48 hours notice or who fail to show up for their scheduled appointment. Patients arriving more than 15 minutes late will be rescheduled. Cancellation of two appointments without adequate notice or failure to show up will result in the above charges. The outstanding fees will need to be prepaid by the patient prior to testing.

**Contact the Audiology Department with questions or to cancel. The Audiology Department can be reached via the administrative assistant, Lori Garfinkle, at (610) 363-2532, ext. 117. She is available Monday-Friday, 8:15 AM – 4 PM.**