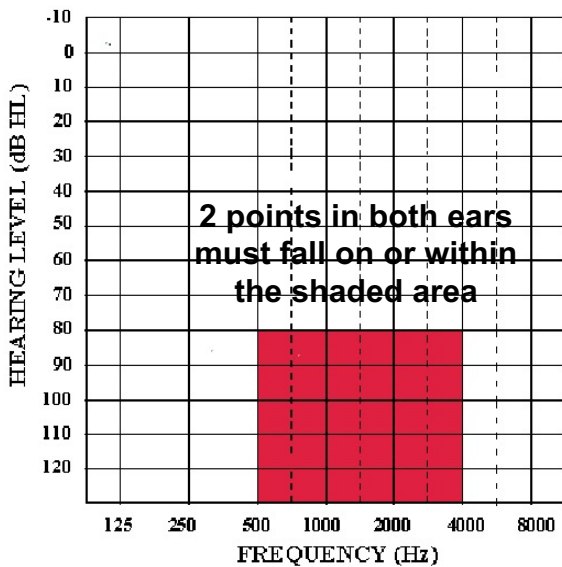


Referral Guidelines for Cochlear Implant Assessment (NICE 2019)

Guideline Audiogram

Unaided Thresholds



Cochlear Implant Criteria for Children

- Bilateral severe/profound deafness with **2 or more frequencies in both ears** (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz, 3000Hz & 4000Hz) louder than **80 dBHL** (PTA threshold \geq 80 dBHL)
- Tone pip ABR thresholds at **2 or more frequencies in both ears** (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz, 3000Hz & 4000Hz) louder than **80 dBHL** (Threshold \geq 80 dBHL)
- Hearing aids fitted and consistent use being actively sought
- No minimum age
- Children with additional needs are assessed



Fast track referral is essential for any patient deafened by Meningitis with unaided levels falling in the shaded area

Early Referral leads to Early Implantation which results in Better Outcomes

Referrals should be made to:

Yorkshire Auditory Implant Service
The Listening for Life Centre
Bradford Royal Infirmary
Duckworth Lane
Bradford BD9 6RJ



Tel: 01274 364853
Email: yais.admin@nhs.net

Cochlear Implant Criteria for Adults

- Bilateral severe/profound deafness with **2 or more frequencies in both ears** (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz, 3000Hz & 4000Hz) louder than **80 dBHL** (PTA threshold \geq 80 dBHL)
- Hearing aid used where appropriate
- No maximum age
- Adults with additional needs are assessed

Website address: www.yais.org.uk

If in doubt, please contact the Cochlear Implant Team to discuss