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INVITATION TO RECEIVE HEARING AIDS

The hearX Foundation, in partnership with the hearX Group and the University of Pretoria, will be providing a hearing service in the communities. Many people suffer from hearing loss. This project aims to identify community members with hearing loss, demonstrate the potential benefit of hearing aids, fit adults with suitable hearing loss with hearing aids, and demonstrate the potential benefit of a support program for hearing aid users to help them get used to wearing hearing aids

What will I need to do if I agree to receive the hearing aids?

All procedures should take about 55 minutes to complete. Should you agree, the following procedures will be followed:

- Looking in your ear with a camera [Video-otoscopy] (5 minutes)

For this test, you will be required to be seated upright while your ear canal is visually inspected using an otoscope (ear-light).

- Hearing aid fitting (50 minutes)

The hearing aids will be set to a program based on your results. After that, you will be taught how to use and look after your hearing aids. You will need a follow-up visit five weeks after the hearing aid fitting, where you will be asked to complete questionnaires. You will receive information (support program) during the first four weeks to give you more information on how to use and look after your hearing aids.

Are there any risks or benefits for me if I participate in this study?

Participants will not be exposed to any risk or experience any discomfort during this hearing aid fitting. Participants can keep their hearing aids once the project has been completed. Information obtained from this study will assist in increasing the effectiveness of smartphone technologies in hearing loss detection, support, and intervention. Participants will also be referred to follow-up services when and where necessary.

What are your rights as a participant?

Your participation in this project is entirely voluntary. You may decline to participate or stop at any time during the examination. This will not affect any current or future services you receive from the hearX Foundation that are not linked to research projects. You can only receive these hearing aids if you agree to take part in the research study. If you choose not to participate in the study, or if you withdraw from the study, you will be referred to receive hearing aid services at a government facility. You can provide your contact details should you be interested in participating in potential future research. You can decline participation in potential future research or request that your contact details be removed without affecting any current services you are receiving.

Infection Control Protocols

The community healthcare workers will bring in hand sanitizer, and all participants, community healthcare workers, and researchers will be required to sanitize their hands frequently. All equipment will be sanitized before and after each participant's tests. If the participant, community healthcare workers, or researcher feels unwell on the day scheduled for testing, the testing will be postponed to a later date.

Confidentiality

All your information will be kept confidential. Once your results have been captured, a number will be allocated to your results. All data will be analysed using the alphanumerical code assigned to you. Your name will not appear on any documents.

Should you consent to have your results used for research purposes, research articles in scientific journals will not include any information that could identify you. All the data collection sheets from this project will be stored for a period of 15 years in both hard copies and scanned electronic versions.

Before agreeing to participate, you should fully understand what is involved. Please do not hesitate to ask your hearing screener if you have any questions that this letter does not fully explain. Alternatively, you can contact us at info@hearxfoundation.org or send a please call me to 084 393 0717 (Khayelitsha) or 081 881 8616 (Atteridgeville).

Sincerely,



Professor De Wet Swanepoel
Professor of Audiology & Primary Investigator

CONSENT TO RECEIVE HEARING AIDS

I, _____, hereby consent to:

	I consent to receive the hearing aids and that my results be used anonymously for any possible research publications on this project.
	I consent to my contact details being stored and that I can be contacted for any potential future services or research.
	I consent to photos being taken during the hearing aid fitting and follow-up visits.

I have read or been verbally explained the content of the consent letter. I understood the consent letter and have been allowed to ask questions, and I am satisfied that they have been answered satisfactorily. I understand that I can keep the hearing aids once the project is complete. I know I may withdraw from the project should I wish to do so. I understand that every effort will be made to ensure that I am not harmed while receiving the hearing check.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone number: _____

Hearing Aid Serial numbers:

Left: _____

Right: _____

LOKO TSWALO YA GO HWETSA DIDIRISWA TSA GO THEETŠA

The hearX Foundation, ka tšhomišano le hearX Group le Yunibesithi ya Pretoria, e tla fa ditirelo tša go theetša mafelong a setšhaba. Batho ba bantši ba lebeletšane le tahlegelo ya kutlo. Morero wo o ikemišeditše go hwetša batho ba setšhaba ba nago le tahlegelo ya kutlo, go ba bontšha mohola wa didiriswa tša go theetša, go apereša batho ba bagolo ba nago le tahlegelo ya kutlo didiriswa tša go theetša, le go bontšha mohola wa lenaneo la thekgo bakeng sa ba šomišago didiriswa tša go theetša gore ba tlwaele go di šomiša.

Ke tla swanela go dira eng ge ke dumelelane le go hwetša didiriswa tša go theetša?

Ditiro ka moka di tla tšea metsotso ye e ka bago 55 go fela. Ge o dumela, ditiro tše di latelago di tla latelwa:

- Go lebelela ka gare ga tsebe ya gago ka khamera [Video-otoscopy] (5 metsotso) Mohlahlobi o tla diriša leswao la tsebe (otoscope) go hlahloba mokero wa tsebe ya gago.
- Go apereša didiriswa tša go theetša (50 metsotso) Didiriswa tša go theetša di tla beelwa lenaneo le lego maleba go ya ka diphetho tša gago. Ka morago, o tla rutwa ka ga tšhomišo le tlhokomelo ya didiriswa tša go theetša gomme o tlale dipotšišo tša ka fao tahlegelo ya kutlo e go amilego ka gona. Go tla ba le maeto a go latela ka morago ga dibeke tše 5 morago ga go apereša didiriswa tša go theetša. O tla fiwa tshedimosetšo (lenaneo la thekgo) nakong ya dibeke tše 6 tša mathomo go go ruta ka ga tšhomišo ya didiriswa tša go theetša le tlhokomelo ya tšona.

Na go na le dikotsi goba melemo ge ke tšea karolo thutong ye?

Barati ba tla se be kotsing goba go kwa bohloko nakong ya go apereša didiriswa tša go theetša. Barati ba tla dula le didiriswa tša go theetša morago ga gore projeke e fele. Tshedimosetšo ye e hweditšwego thutong ye e tla thuša go kaonafatša theknolotši ya mešito ya mogala go hwetša tahlegelo ya kutlo, thekgo, le tlhabollo. Barati ba tla romelwa ditirelong tša tlhokomelo ge go hlokega.

Ditokelo tša gago bjalo ka motšeakarolo ke dife?

Go tšea karolo ga gago mo projekeng ke boithaopo ka botlalo. O ka gana go tšea karolo goba wa ema nako efe goba efe nakong ya tlhahlobo. Sena se ka se ame ditirelo tša bjale goba tša ka moso tše o di fumanago go tšwa go hearX Foundation tše di se nago mabapi le dipatlisiso. O ka hwetša didiriswa tša go theetša fela ge o dumelelana le go tšea karolo thutong ye. Ge o sa nyake go tšea karolo, goba ge o ka ikgogela morago thutong, o tla romelwa go hwetša ditirelo tša didiriswa tša go theetša mo sepetlele sa mmušo. O ka fa tshedimosetšo ya gago ya kgokagano ge o nyaka go tsebišwa ka dipatlisiso tša ka moso. O na le tokelo ya go gana tšea karolo dipatlisisong tša ka moso goba wa kopa gore tshedimosetšo ya gago e phumolwe ntle le go ama ditirelo tše o di amogelago ga bjale.

Melao ya Taolo ya Malwetši Bahlokomedi ba maphelo a setšhaba ba tla tliša sebapolami-sa-sephedi, gomme bohle (barati, bahlokomedi ba maphelo a setšhaba, le bahlahlobi) ba tla swanela go hlapa diatla kgafetša. Didiriswa ka moka di tla hlatswiwa pele le morago ga tlhahlobo ya motšeakarolo yo mongwe le yo mongwe. Ge motšeakarolo, mohlokomedi wa maphelo a setšhaba, goba mohlahlobi a ikwa a sa iketla ka letšatši la tlhahlobo, tlhahlobo e tla bewelela go letšatši le lengwe.

Phipho Tshedimosetšo ka moka ya gago e tla dula e le khupamarama. Diphetho tša gago di tla newa nomoro ya boitsebišo. Tshedimosetšo ka moka e tla sekasekwa ka khoutu ya dipalo le ditlhaka. Leina la gago le ka se be gona go ditokomane tša dipatlisiso.

Ge o dumelelana gore diphetho tša gago di šomišwe dipatlisisong, ditlhahlobo tša saense di ka se be le tshedimosetšo efe goba efe ye e go tsebagatsago. Ditokomane ka moka di tla bolokwa mengwaga ye 15 ka bothata le ka dibopego tša elektroniki.

Ge o na le dipotšišo tše lekwalo le sa di hlaloseng gabotse, o se ke wa tshwenyega go botsa mohlahlobi wa gago wa kutlo. O ka boela wa ikgokaganya le rena ka info@hearxfoundation.org goba wa romela "please call me" go 084 393 0717 (Khayelitsha), 073 842 3344 (Drakenstein district), goba 081 881 8616 (Atteridgeville).

Ke botše botho,



Professor De Wet Swanepoel
Professor wa Audiology & Mohlahlobi Mogolo

TUMELO YA GO HWETSA DIDIRISWA TŠA GO THEETŠA

Ke, _____, ke dumelelana le:

	Ke dumelelana le go hwetša didiriswa tša go theetša le gore diphetho tša ka di šomišwe ntle le leina dipatlisisong tša projeke ye.
	Ke dumelelana gore tshedimosetšo ya ka ya kgokagano e bolokwe gomme ke ka ikgokaganywa bakeng sa ditirelo goba dipatlisiso tša ka moso.
	Ke dumelelana gore dinepe di ka tšewa nakong ya go apereša didiriswa tša go theetša le nakong ya maeto a go latela morago.

Ke badile goba ke hlaloseditšwe diteng tša lengwalo la tumelelo ka molomo. Ke a le kwešiša gomme ke filwe sebaka sa go botšiša dipotšišo. Ke kwešiša gore nka hwetša didiriswa tša go theetša ge projeke e fetile. Ke a tseba gore nka tlogela projeke ge ke rata. Ke kwešiša gore go tla dirwa maiteko ka moka go netefatsa gore nka se gobale nakong ya tlhahlobo ya kutlo.

Tšhupetšo: _____ Letšatši: _____

Phone number: _____

Hearing Aid Serial numbers:

Left: _____

Right: _____