

	<b>1985</b>	<b>Current</b>
<b>AGE</b>	Adults	<b>Adults (no upper age limit); Children (<math>\geq 12</math> months old)</b>
<b>ONSET of Hearing Loss</b>	Postlinguistic	<b>Prelinguistic or Postlinguistic</b>
<b>DEGREE of Bilateral Sensorineural Hearing Loss</b>	Profound	<b>Adults: moderate to profound loss in the low frequencies, and profound loss in mid to high frequencies; <math>\geq 2</math> years old: severe to profound loss in the low frequencies, and profound loss in mid to high frequencies; <math>&lt; 2</math> yrs old: profound loss across the audiogram</b>
<b>ADULT Aided Speech Scores</b>	0%	<b><math>\leq 50\%</math> aided sentence recognition in the ear to be implanted <math>\leq 60\%</math> aided in the contralateral ear or binaurally</b>
<b>PEDIATRIC Speech Performance</b>	Not candidates	<b>Aged 2 and up: <math>\leq 30\%</math> (MLNT* or LNT* speech test) in the best aided condition Under 2: Lack of auditory progress with bilateral hearing aids after 3-6 months of aural habilitation</b>