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## TO STREAM OR NOT TO STREAM.

To hear phone calls through your hearing aids is much easier than you think. You will be able to hear the other person loudly and clearly in both ears, and you won't have to ask them to repeat themselves. You don't have to put your phone on the speaker option, and people around you won't have to hear your phone calls anymore!

Most hearing aids today can connect to a smartphone.

Some aids have a classic Bluetooth option, which means you can pair your hearing aids as you would with any other Bluetooth device, and this is compatible with most smartphones, even older ones. Other hearing aids can stream to IOS phones only, and some new technology aids to IOS and more recent Android phones.

Your audiologist can suggest which hearing aids would be best for the phone you have, and help you with pairing the phone to the hearing aids.

A meaningful, audible, and comfortable conversation over the phone for a person with hearing loss is now more possible than ever. Please ask your audiologist for more information.

### AANKOOP VAN GEHOORAPPARAAT BYBEHORE



Indien u'n nuwe houer filters wil aankoop, bring asseblief die vorige houer saam. Etlike houers lyk dieselfde maar die grootte van die filter aan die punt van die stokkie verskil. Byvoorbeeld, vir 'n Signia apparaat is drie verskillende tipes filters beskikbaar waarvan twee van die houers identies lyk. Sou u probleme ondervind om self u filter te vervang, bring die apparaat en u houer met filters na die praktyk en ons sal u help met die vervanging daarvan.

Dieselfde reëling geld vir silikoon domes (proppies) en pypies (dik of dun). Bring u ou pypies of proppies saam, sodat ons dit met die korrekte lengte en tipe kan vervang.

Help ons, sodat ons u doeltreffend kan help.

# **Different Hearing Aid Styles**

STYLE	BATTERY/ RECHARGEABLE	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
CIC Completely-in- canal	RAY©VAC EXTRA Button side Handle Button side	<ul> <li>Small, discreet, invisible</li> <li>Made according to your ear canal's unique shape and thus fits perfectly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Only for certain types and degrees of hearing loss</li> <li>Battery life is short (5-7 days)</li> <li>No Bluetooth and streaming abilities</li> </ul>
ITC In-the-canal	RAYOVAC EXTRA "IN THE STATE OF	<ul> <li>Small, discreet</li> <li>Made according to your ear canal</li> <li>Rechargeable option now available</li> <li>Certain ITC's can stream directly to IOS/Android phones</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Longer battery life than for Completely in Canal (for battery- powered aids)</li> <li>Warranty usually shorter than for Receiver in Canal/Behind the Ear instruments</li> </ul>
RIC Receiver-in- canal	RAYOVAC EXTRA WART OF ACTUAL STATES	<ul> <li>Small, behind the ear</li> <li>Rechargeable or battery options</li> <li>Direct streaming to IOS and Android phones</li> <li>Longer warranty than in-theear aids</li> <li>For most mild to moderatesevere hearing losses</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>May interfere with wearing glasses</li> <li>Require space between the head and the earlobe</li> </ul>
BTE Behind the ear	RAYOVAC EXTRAC TO THE STATE OF	<ul> <li>Rechargeable options</li> <li>Longer battery life – up to 14 days</li> <li>Direct streaming to IOS and Android</li> <li>3 year warranty</li> <li>Robust, for patients with dexterity issues</li> <li>For mild to profound hearing losses</li> </ul>	Some models may be more visible than other styles

### **EASY AND AUDIBLE ONLINE MEETINGS**

The sound from your computer can easily be streamed to your hearing aids, and your online meetings will be for your ears only. Instead of headphones, your hearing aids will act as your own private set of earphones, and the sound will be clear and audible.

You will need an extra device that can convert the Bluetooth signal from your laptop or computer to a hearing aid-compatible signal. Most hearing aid manufacturers have devices like this for their hearing aid range. Ask your audiologist for a demo device that is compatible with your hearing aids, and see for yourself just how comfortable a Teams Meeting can be.

