



Adelaide  
**HEARING**

## EFFECTS OF UNTREATED HEARING LOSS

Untreated hearing loss is associated with:

- Increased risk of social isolation and depression
- Accelerated cognitive decline and higher dementia risk
- Reduced employment and income potential
- Greater incidence of falls (up to 3× risk)
- Listening fatigue and reduced quality of life

Early referral prevents irreversible consequences. The sooner intervention occurs, the better the outcomes for communication, mental health, and brain health.



**WHEN TO REFER**

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- Patients reporting difficulty in background noise or group conversations
- Family members raising concerns about hearing
- Patients turning TV volume excessively high
- Any adult noticing gradual change in hearing

