



EPIC Hearing Service Plan (HSP) A Value Added Benefit for Employees and their Families

- National Network of Ear Physicians and Audiologists
- Testing, Evaluations and Hearing Aid fittings by licensed Audiologists
- Brand name Hearing Aids - Savings of 30% to 60%
- All Levels of Technology and Hearing Aid Styles
- Reduced Costs on Services & Products
- Assistance coordinating health plan benefits and Hearing Aid allowances to maximize savings
- Toll free telephone support throughout the process
- All payments are to EPIC HSP to ensure controlled fees
- Flexible Payment plans through Medallion Bank Financing
- No Administrative forms or paperwork to fill out
- HSP Member booklet lists more information about available technology, products and pricing

EPIC PROVIDERS

Ear Professionals International Corporation (EPIC) is the nation's largest coalition of hearing healthcare Physicians and Audiologists. EPIC Physicians have pioneered and developed most of the current treatment methodologies and interventions, working together with the best Audiologists in the nation, recognized for their extensive professional education and experience in diagnostic techniques and rehabilitative interventions.

STEPS TO ACCESSING HEARING CARE/HEARING AID(S) THROUGH EPIC

- Call 866-956-5400 toll free to speak with a Hearing Counselor
 - EPIC will mail you the HSP member booklet which outlines all Plan benefits including pricing
- EPIC coordinates your Hearing Health Care process from start to finish.
- As the third party administrator, all payments and billings are centralized and coordinated by EPIC HSP for hearing aid benefits and services.
- EPIC, offers complimentary extended hearing aid warranties and a free year supply of batteries for all purchases.

**EPIC Hearing Service Plan toll free: 866.956.5400 www.epichearing.com
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NOTICE TO NECA-IBEW WELFARE TRUST FUND PARTICIPANTS

The Board of Trustees of the NECA-IBEW Welfare Trust Fund is pleased to announce that effective July 1, 2010 they will partner with **EPIC Hearing Service Plan (HSP)** to assist active participants and pre-Medicare retirees* in locating quality hearing care professionals and, in most cases, reduce your out-of-pocket expense for your hearing aid devices. As you know, the NECA-IBEW Welfare Trust Fund provides a hearing aid benefit of up to \$1,250 per ear once every 5 years (after deductible) for active Participants and Eligible Dependents. The enclosed brochure describes the **EPIC Hearing Service Plan** in full detail.

The Board believes this program will be beneficial to you in that you will receive access to quality hearing care and state of the art devices at reduced costs. The **EPIC Hearing Service Plan** reduces your out-of-pocket cost and maximizes your \$1,250 hearing aid benefit by coordinating your referrals through the plan. Please note: You are responsible for costs over the maximum allowance of \$1,250 per ear once every 5 years.

If you wish to learn more, please contact the **EPIC Hearing Service Plan** at their toll free number: **1-866-956-5400**. Be sure to identify yourself or family members as being covered under the NECA-IBEW Welfare Trust Fund. The EPIC Hearing Service Plan personnel are available to answer your questions and guide you through the process of hearing healthcare.

**Medicare-eligible retirees can access the EPIC program, but benefit coverage is not provided by the Fund. Medicare-eligible retirees do not have hearing aid coverage.*