

*If you have a*  
**hearing loss**  
*you are not alone.*

**Hearing loss**

*is among  
the leading  
public health  
concerns.*

- 60 percent of people with hearing loss are between the ages of 21 and 65.
- More than 20 million Americans have hearing loss from loud noise.
- More than 59,000 veterans are on disability status for hearing loss.

**HLAA Chapters—Information and Support**

If contact or meeting information has not been provided in the space below by a local HLAA Chapter, please visit [www.hearingloss.org](http://www.hearingloss.org) to find a chapter near you.



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Your decision to  
do something about  
**hearing loss**  
begins here.



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**Are you** having trouble hearing?

**Are you** bluffing about being able to hear well?

**Are you** avoiding activities that you enjoy?

**Are you** afraid to reveal your hearing loss in case it jeopardizes your job?

*You don't have to face your*  
**hearing loss** *alone.*

These are common reactions and can lead to withdrawal, anxiety, loss of self-esteem, and even depression.

Since 1979, the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) has been offering help to millions of people with varying degrees of hearing loss—from those who have a mild loss and have trouble on the phone, to those who wear hearing aids and/or cochlear implants and use other assistive devices.

*HLAA opens the world of communication to people with hearing loss through information, education, advocacy and support.*

# How can the Hearing Loss Association of America help you?

## Hearing Loss is a Public Health Concern

HLAA is working to end the stigma associated with hearing loss and encourage treatment and prevention. Hearing loss should be prevented by limiting noise exposure, screened for regularly, and treated.

When you join HLAA, you support the work that benefits a growing population of those with hearing loss. Here are some benefits:

**Advocacy.** We are working to make hearing health care more affordable, captioning on the Internet (including mobile phones that have Internet access), hearing aid insurance coverage, cochlear implant reimbursement, and more. Many existing laws and policies are due to the work of HLAA. We represent you on corporate and government advisory boards, coalitions, educational institutions and nonprofit organizations.

**HLAA State and Chapter organizations** are where people with all degrees of hearing loss meet regularly to share current and useful information.

**Hearing Loss Magazine** gives you the latest information about hearing aids, cochlear implants, hearing assistive technology, research and more. Read stories about people like yourself. See the latest ads for products and services specifically for people with hearing loss. HLAA members receive the magazine bimonthly in the mail and online.

**Walk4Hearing®** is an annual, nationwide program involving thousands who walk to create public awareness about hearing loss, help to eradicate the stigma associated with it, and raise funds to provide information, education, advocacy and support for people with hearing loss. For more information, go to [www.walk4hearing.org](http://www.walk4hearing.org).

**HLAA Annual Convention** is the nation's largest hearing-friendly event with workshops and a trade show just for people with hearing loss. Continuing Education Units are available for members of certain organizations. Members receive discounted rates.

**www.hearingloss.org** is an informative website with timely news, resources, and in-depth information and forums for young adults with hearing loss and parents of children with hearing loss.

**HLAA e-News** gives you online continuing updates along with breaking news and legislative actions in which you can participate. Sign up at [www.hearingloss.org](http://www.hearingloss.org)—no cost and no obligation.

**Webinars** with renowned experts in the field. Go to [www.hearingloss.org](http://www.hearingloss.org) and participate or replay past captioned webinars.

**Hearing Loss Support Specialist Training** is an online, self-paced course designed for those who work with people with hearing loss. Continuing Education Units are available for members of certain organizations.

**Member discounts through cooperating companies**

## There is More to Hearing Loss than a Hearing Aid

Visit one of our chapters nationwide to meet and talk with others who also have hearing loss. Chapters are supportive affiliates where people with all degrees of hearing loss come together to share and learn—and where it's okay not to hear well.

You can learn coping strategies, about advocacy and the laws that protect you, and find out about local resources. You can learn about the many tools and the latest technology— hearing aids, phones, hearing loops, cochlear implants, captioning, assistive listening devices, and more—all available to help you live well with hearing loss.

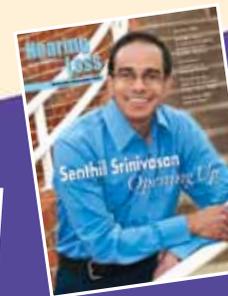
HLAA is the nation's foremost educational advocacy organization for people with hearing loss. HLAA national, state associations, and local chapters are a united effort of people determined to make a difference for all people with hearing loss. Please join us and become a member today!

**“Make hearing loss an issue of national concern.”**

—**Founder Rocky Stone (1925-2004)**



Chris Artinian  
HLAA  
Spokesperson



To join HLAA, fill out and mail this form or sign up online at: [www.hearingloss.org/content/join](http://www.hearingloss.org/content/join)

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- Individual  \$35 / 1 yr.  \$95 / 3 yrs.  \$140 / 5 yrs.
- Couple/Family \$ 45 / 1 yr.
- Professional \$ 60 / 1 yr.
- Library/Nonprofit \$ 50 / 1 yr.
- Student \$ 20 / 1 yr.
- Corporate \$ 300 / 1 yr.

For Non-USA rates, go to [www.hearingloss.org/content/join](http://www.hearingloss.org/content/join)

### Contributions

I would like to make a donation of:

- \$100  \$75  \$50  \$25 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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