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## STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE ACCESS OF HEARING HEALTH CARE AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

#### **ROUND TABLE**

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## **GLOBAL BURDEN OF HEARING LOSS**



Hearing loss is one of the major problem in public health due to:

#### Prévalence

The rankings of Y.L.D. due to hearing loss change from 11<sup>th</sup> in 2010 to 4<sup>th</sup> in 2015

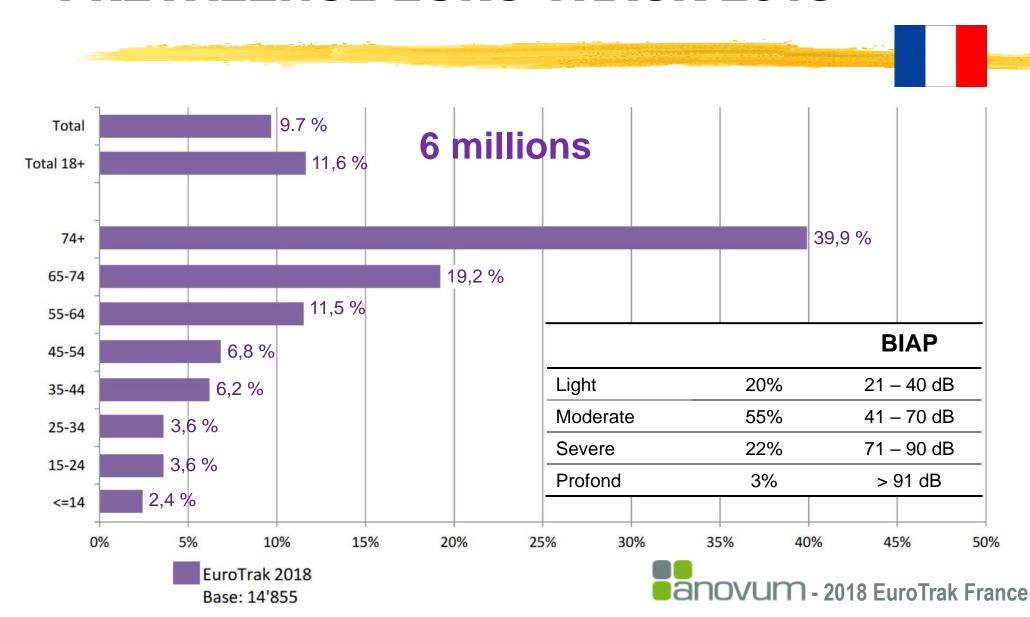
#### Consequences

Neurocognitive function in adult and children

Cost

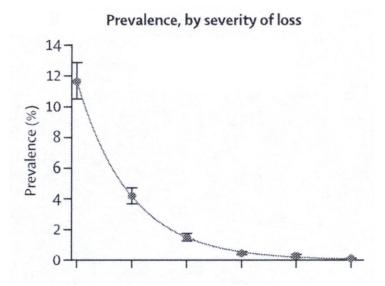


#### PREVALENCE EURO TRACK 2018



#### **COMPLEX CASES**

THE LANCET The Lancet Vol 390 December 2, 2017 Global hearing health care: new findings and perspectives Blake S Wilson, Debara L Tucci, Michael H Merson, Gerard M O'Donoghue



Complex cases would require hearing health professional constitue less than 15%

How much priority hearing loss is in your country and did you have a National strategic plan?

## What are the barriers for early identification and prevention and how this barriers can be overcome?

- In newborn screening
- Adolescent (make listening safe)
- Adult hearing screening

# WHO PROGRAMME FOR EAR AND HEARING CARE



# WHO STRATEGIC AREAS OF WORK FOR 2018-2021



Undertake effective evidence-based advocacy for prioritization of ear and hearing care



Gather and collate data to drive action for hearing loss

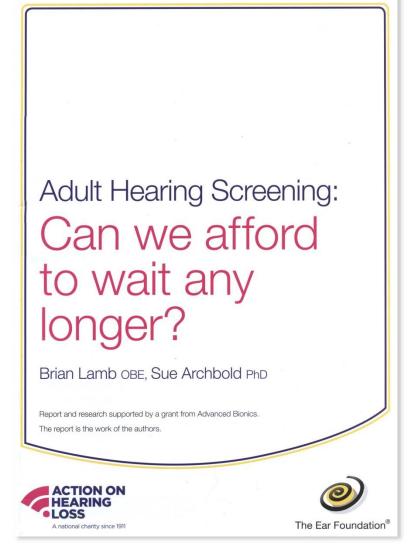


Support strategy development and implementation in WHO Member States.



Develop and promote the 'Make Listening Safe' initiative

#### **ADULT HEARING SCREENING**



#### **ACCESS TO HEARING REHABILITATION**

- Medical and surgical management
- Hearing devices and auditory implant
- Sign language and speech therapist



#### **Human ressources**

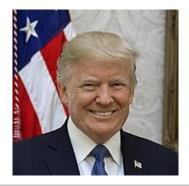


**Based evidence** 

Accessibility

Cost/effectiveness

#### **ACCESS TO HEARING AIDS DEVICE**



#### HearingReview

#### LEGISLATION

#### President Trump Signs OTC Hearing Aid Legislation into Law

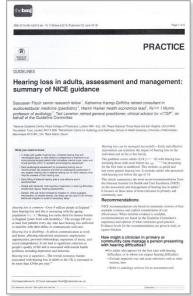
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On Friday, President Donald Trump signed into law the Food and Drug Administration Reauthorization Act of 2017, legislation that includes the Over the Counter Hearing Aid Act designed to provide greater public accessibility and affordability with over-the-counter (OTC) hearing aids.

The OTC Hearing Aid Act is designed to enable adults with perceived mild-to-moderate hearing loss to access OTC hearing aids without being seen by a hearing care professional. The new law, which was introduced in March by Senators Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass) and Chuck Grassley (R-lowa), was passed by the US House on July 12 and the US Senate on August 3. It also comes on the heels of the elimination of the 'physician waiver' system which had required consumers first to seek a physician for a medical evaluation or sign a waiver prior to obtaining a hearing aid.

The new legislation will require the FDA to create and regulate a category of OTC hearing aids to ensure they meet the same high standards for safety, consumer labeling, and manufacturing protection that all other medical devices must meet. It mandates the FDA to establish an OTC hearing aid category for adults with 'perceived' mild-to-moderate hearing loss within 3









#### REVIEW





## Personal Sound Amplifiers for Adults with Hearing Loss

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To inform primary care physicians and patients to a new generation of self fit hearing aid between \$200 and \$400

	Bean T-Coil	CS-50+	Tweak Focus	Soundhawk	Songbird
Price	\$349/each; \$599/pair	\$349	\$224.99	\$349.99	\$395/each; \$745/pair

Preferred profile for hearing-aid technology suitable for low- and middle-income countries



# PREFERRED PROFILE FOR HEARING AID REDUCING TREATMENT COST

- This recommandation has been given for hearing loss in the range 31 to 80 dBHL in better ear (frequencies 500Hz to 4 KHz)
  - Digital technology
  - Behind the ear
  - Gain 42/70dB
  - Frequency response 200 to 4000Hz
  - Self fitted
  - Long battery life



## Hearing loss in adults: assessment and management



NICE guideline

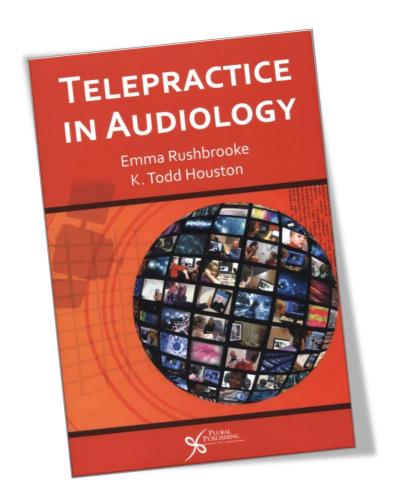
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nice.org.uk/guidance/ng98

- Supporting GP engagement in primary care to manage hearing loss in adults
- Pathway redesign in audiology services using telepractice

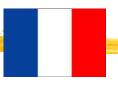
#### **TELEPRACTICE IN AUDIOLOGY**

- Model of service delivery :
  - Hearing screening
  - Teleotoscopy
  - Hearing aid fittings
  - Remote cochlear implant
  - Rehabilitation and remediation





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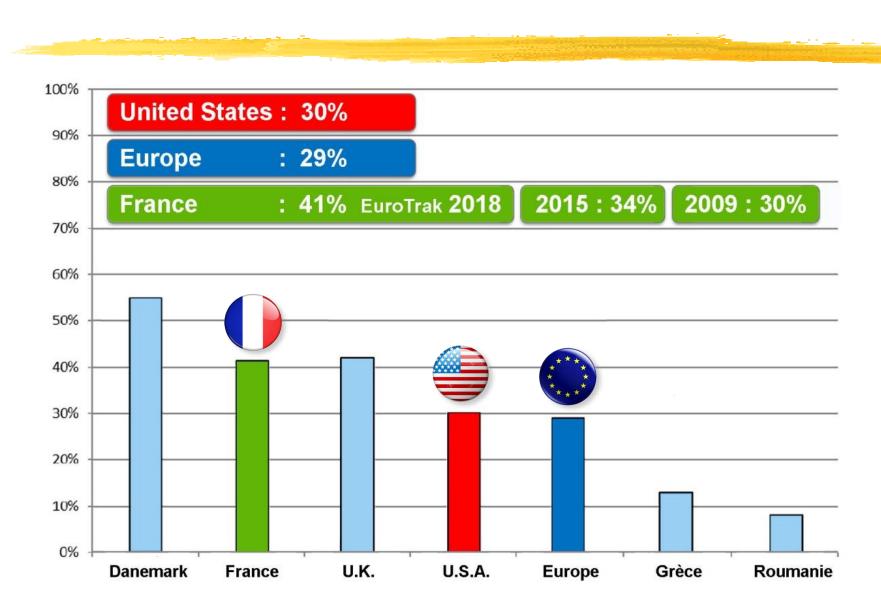


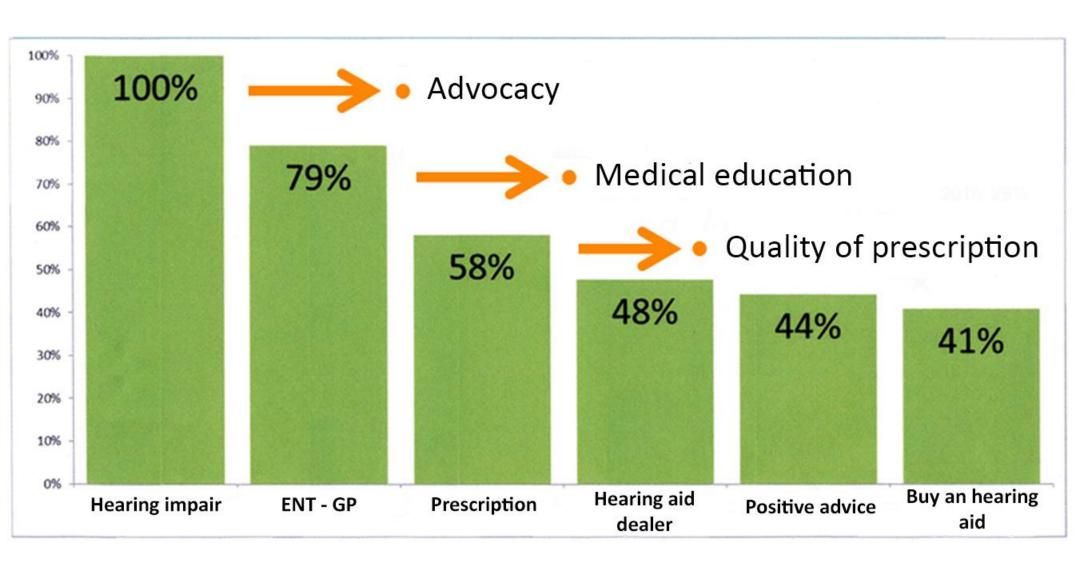
« Cette réforme, c'est la possibilité pour tous nos concitoyens, et notamment les personnes âgées, d'accéder à une audioprothèse sans reste à charge »



Ms. Agnes Buzin, French Minister of Health

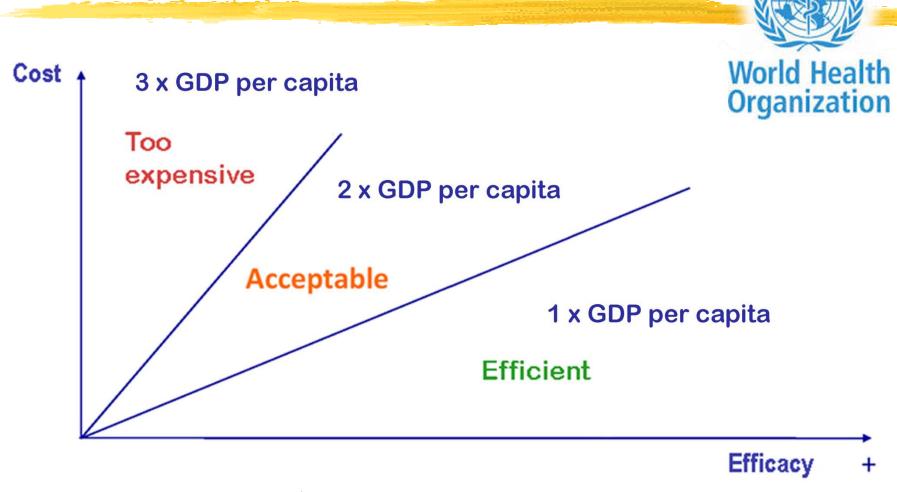
#### **ACCESS TO HEARING AID**





# Access and affordability of cochlear implant

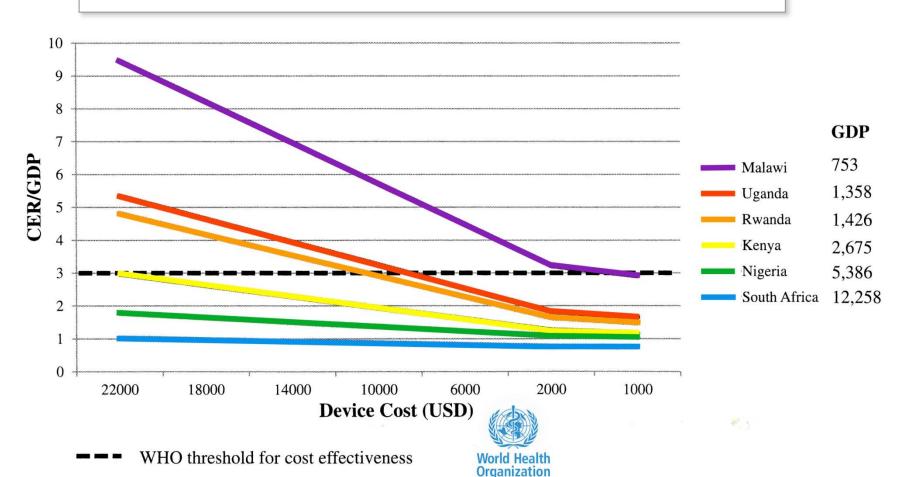
## COST UTILITY (DALY/QALY vs GDP)



DALY : Disability Adjusted Life Years
QALY : Quality Adjusted Life Years
GDP : Gross Domestic Product

#### GDP Matters: Cost Effectiveness of Cochlear Implantation and Deaf Education in Sub-Saharan Africa

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can improve this mission in education taking

in account the diversity of practice around the world?









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