

RESIDENT _____

DATE	PROBLEM	GOAL	TO DATE	INTERVENTIONS	RESP DISC
	<p>Communication deficit: Hearing Impaired</p> <p>As evidenced by: Adequate - No difficulty in normal conversation, social interaction, listening to TV Minimal Difficulty - Difficulty in some environments Moderate Difficulty - Speaker has to increase volume and speak distinctly Highly Impaired - Absence of useful hearing Hearing aid or other appliance used/not used</p> <p>Understanding verbal content, however able (with hearing aid or device if used) Understands - Clearly comprehends the speaker and demonstrates comprehension by words or actions. Usually Understands - Misses some part/intent of message BUT comprehends most conversation. Sometimes Understands - Responds adequately to simple, direct communication only. Demonstrates frequent difficulties integrating information. Understands better when speaker rephrases / simplifies message or uses gestures. Rarely/Never Understands - Demonstrates very limited ability to understand communication. Staff has difficulty determining whether or not resident comprehends messages, based on verbal and nonverbal responses.</p>	<p>Resident will demonstrate improved ability to understand speech</p>		<p>Reduce background noise when speaking to resident</p> <p>Speak distinctly, adjusting tone appropriately</p> <p>Make eye contact with resident when conversing</p> <p>Ask simple yes or no questions</p> <p>Use clear, direct, and simple terms</p> <p>Supplement words with gestures, actions, pictures, and other nonverbal communication as needed</p> <p>Refer to Audiologist as indicated</p> <p>Assist with hearing aid placement and maintenance</p> <p>Check residents ears monthly for cerumen build-up</p> <p>Keep call light within reach</p> <p>Anticipate needs</p> <p>Be aware of resident's frustration with communication – come back later or get other staff member if necessary</p>	