What does an Audiometry Nurse do?

Audiometry Nurses provide comprehensive, standardised and professional hearing health services to a variety of age groups. This includes collaboration with newborn hearing screening programs, paediatric screening, health history, otoscopy, tympanometry and pure tone audiometry (including masking) for children and adults, interpretation of assessment results, and appropriate management and referral.

Audiometry Nurses may also provide or facilitate the following professional activities:

- Hearing health promotion
- Occupational hearing screening
- Community education
- Hearing conservation programs
- Client advocacy
- Student mentoring
- Nursing research

Audiometry Nurses assist with the early identification of ear disease and hearing impairment, participate in case management and appropriate referral to speech pathologists, medical practitioners, audiologists, hearing support organisations, other allied health professionals and educators including itinerant support teachers for hearing.

Audiometry Nurses maintain professional networks and have established links with hearing related self-help and community organisations.

Regular peer review ensures that Audiometry Nurses maintain professional standards of clinical practice.

Audiometry Nurses may be employed in a variety of settings including community health centres, medical practices, audiology clinics or occupational screening programs.

The Audiometry Nurses Association of Australia Inc. (ANAA Inc.) is affiliated with the Australian College of Nursing and the Coalition of National Nursing & Midwifery Organisations (CoNNMO), and produces a quarterly newsletter (‘Ear ’Tis).

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ANAA Inc represents the professional interests of Audiometry Nurses, facilitates ongoing education, and provides a forum for ongoing education and professional support and development. The Association also produces guidelines for professional practice and regular review of clinical standards.