

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4747-1-02 Definitions and interpretations.

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- (A) The statement "includes the making of ear impressions for earmolds" shall apply only to earmolds that are used with devices as defined in division (A) of section 4747.01 of the Revised Code.
- (B) "Obtained any fee or made any sale of a hearing aid by fraud or misrepresentation" means that any person who obtains a fee, i.e., the owner of the business, the hearing aid dealer or fitter, the supervisor, or trainee shall be held responsible for the sale of a hearing aid by fraud or misrepresentation if they had knowledge of the fraud or mispresentation, regardless of whether or not that person was directly involved with the fitting or sale of the aid.
- (C) The practice of dealing in or fitting of a hearing aid shall only apply to prescription hearing aids and includes a complete hearing examination performed bilaterally as defined in rule 4747-1-19(A) through (H) and the hearing screening of individuals, provided they are advised that the screening is to determine if they are a candidate for a hearing aid, and the results are reported as either pass or fail. The practice of dealing in or fitting of a hearing aid does not apply to the category of hearing aids defined by the U.S. food and drug administration as over-the-counter hearing aids.
- (D) A "hearing screening" means a quick test to determine if an individual is a candidate for a hearing aid and the results of the hearing screening are reported to the individual as either pass or fail. A hearing screening and the pass/fail results of a hearing screening do not mean the practice of dealing in or fitting of prescription hearing aids as defined under section (C) of this chapter and do not mean a hearing test as defined under rule 4747-1-19(A) through (H).
- (E) "Contact hours" means the actual time a trainee or trainees spend under the direct an immediate supervision of a licensed hearing aid dealer or fitter acting as a supervisor.
- (F) "Supervision" means the availability and responsibility of the supervisor for direction of the actions of the person supervised.



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