

HAS BEEN EXAMINED BY AN OTOLARYNGOLOGIST WITHIN THE PREVIOUS NINETY DAYS. IF THE CHILD HAS NOT BEEN EXAMINED BY AN OTOLARYNGOLOGIST WITHIN THE PREVIOUS NINETY DAYS, THE PERSON ENGAGING IN THE FITTING AND SALE OF HEARING AIDS MUST MAKE A WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION FOR SUCH AN EXAMINATION PRIOR TO THE FITTING OR SELLING OF A HEARING AID FOR THE CHILD.

728. Persons and Practices not Affected.

(a) *This subtitle does not apply to a person while he is engaged in the practice of fitting hearing aids if his practice is part of the academic curriculum of an accredited institution of higher education or part of a program conducted by a public, charitable, or nonprofit institution or organization which is primarily supported by voluntary contributions.*

(b) *This subtitle shall not be construed to prevent any person, who is a medical or osteopathic physician licensed to practice by the Board of Medical Examiners, OR IS AN AUDIOLOGIST HOLDING A CERTIFICATE OF CLINICAL COMPETENCE FROM THE AMERICAN SPEECH AND HEARING ASSOCIATION, from treating or fitting hearing aids to the human ear.*

729. Qualifications of Applicants for Registration; Fee.

An applicant for registration shall pay a fee of \$50 and shall show to the satisfaction of the Board that he

(1) *Is a person of good moral character.*

(2) *Is 21 years of age or older.*

(3) *Has an education equivalent to a four-year course in a standard high school or has continuously engaged in the practice of fitting hearing aids in this State during the three years preceding July 1, 1969.*

(4) *Is free from contagious or infectious disease.*

730. Examination.

(a) *An applicant for registration who is notified by the Board that he has fulfilled the requirements of Section 729 shall appear at a time, place and before such persons as the Board may designate, to be examined by written and practical tests in order to demonstrate that he is qualified to practice the fitting of hearing aids.*

(b) *The Board shall give at least two examinations of the type prescribed in subsection (a) of this Section in each year, and such additional examinations as the volume of applications makes appropriate.*

(c) *Every person engaged in the sale of hearing aids on the effective date of this subtitle shall be licensed and given a license by the Board without examination, if he shall present satisfactory evidence to the Board that he is a person of good moral character, twenty-one years of age or older, and has been in the practice of selling hearing aids for at least 18 months prior to the effective date of this subtitle, provided the person pays the fee specified for the license to the Board.*