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To whom it may concern:

Re: Peters Payton Taylor  
21-02-2012

Payton is a 2.2 year old girl who presents with a severe sensorineural hearing loss in the right ear and a severe-profound sensorineural hearing loss in the left ear. She has been fitted with trial hearing aids bilaterally in March 2014. Severe-profound hearing losses can be managed by means of hearing aids and/ or cochlear implants. Hence, Payton would require intensive monitoring of her hearing status and ability to hear with hearing aids so that a decision can be made whether she will need cochlear implants as well.

I have listed below a summary of the approximate cost (prices are subject to change):

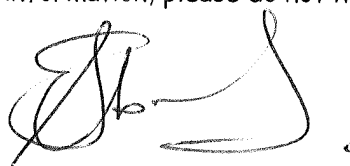
- Hearing aids on trial  
The present hearing aids are R10000 per hearing aid. However, as we progress with tests and decide to try even more sophisticated hearing aids, the price may increase to R12000-R29500 per hearing aid.
- Audiological tests and consults      R180, 00 - R1000, 00 per consult
- Moulds      R500, 00 - R660, 00 per mould
- Auditory Brainstem Response with anaesthetic fee      R9000, 00
- Cochlear Implant Estimation
- Hospitalization      R75000, 00
- Cochlear Implant sound processor      R206 000, 00
- Surgeon fees (surgeon dependant)      R40 000, 00
- Anaesthetic fees( anaesthetists dependant)      R10 000, 00
- Please find audiologists costs attached for cochlear implants

Early identification and early intervention for hearing loss is important. Hearing is critical for the development of speech, language, communication skills, and learning. The earlier that hearing loss occurs in a child's life, the more serious is the effect on the child's development. Similarly, the earlier the hearing loss is identified and intervention begun, the more likely it is that the delays in speech and language development will be diminished. Recent research indicates that children identified with hearing loss who begin services before 6 months old develop language (spoken or signed) on a par with their hearing peers.

An undiagnosed or untreated hearing loss can delay language development. In order to listen, babies and young children need to receive clear, complete and consistent access to sound during these first months and years of life. For children with hearing loss, this is done through hearing technology.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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**Fees for CHILDREN: August 2013**

<b>Initial Assessment</b>		
<b>Codes</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cost</b>
821013	Interview – 60min	R410.00
821120	Visual response audiometry	R285.00
821115	Speech audiometry – screening	R45.00
821805	Free-Field Hearing Aid evaluation	R118.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>R858.00</b>

<b>Pre-operative Consultation</b>		
<b>Codes</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cost</b>
821011	Interview – 30min	R180.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>R180.00</b>

<b>Intra-operative Testing</b>		
<b>Codes</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cost</b>
821013	Interview – 60min	R410.00
821015	Prolonged consultation (15 min)	R80.00
821720	Impedance test: 4 modes	R45.00
821725	NRT during surgery	R200.00
821735	ESRT intra-operative	R125.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>R860.00</b>

<b>Switch-on</b>		
<b>Codes</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cost</b>
821013	Interview – 60min	R410.00
821720	Impedance test: 4 modes	R45.00
821710	Electrode Mapping per 15 minutes	R145.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>R600.00</b>

<b>Mapping session</b>		
<b>Codes</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cost</b>
821011	Interview – 30min	R180.00
821720	Impedance test: 4 modes	R45.00
821710	Electrode Mapping per 15 minutes	R145.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>R370.00</b>

Total:821730	NRT after surgery (R490.00)	R860.00
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Bilateral mapping session		
Codes	Description	Cost
821011	Interview – 30min	R180.00
821720	Impedance test: 4 modes (left ear)	R45.00
821720	Impedance test: 4 modes (right ear)	R45.00
821710	Electrode Mapping per 15 minutes (left ear)	R145.00
821710	Electrode Mapping per 15 minutes (right ear)	R145.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>R560.00</b>

6 monthly / Annual follow-up		
Codes	Description	Cost
821011	Interview – 30min	R180.00
821720	Impedance test: 4 modes	R45.00
821710	Electrode Mapping per 15 minutes	R145.00
821730	NRT after surgery	R490.00
821120	Visual response audiometry	R285.00
821115	Screening speech audiogram	R45.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>R1190.00</b>

Please note that this is the maximum amount that will be charged for a specific session. Codes charged will depend on the procedures performed during each session.

6 mapping sessions within the first 7 weeks. With the sixth mapping session an audiogram will be done:

811100: R120.00

811110: R120.00

An NRT (code 811730 @ R460.00) will be done twice in the 7 weeks.

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Description	Cost
45min session	R330.00
30min session	R198.00