



Hearing Aids: Billing AADL and WCB?

Question:

In my private practice audiology clinic, if my client has Alberta Aids to Daily Living (AADL) benefits for hearing aids but has decided to apply for hearing loss benefits through Worker's Compensation Board (WCB), can hearing aids be fitted and billed through AADL while a WCB claim is pending? As well, if my client has been fitted with hearing aids funded through WCB but has lost them, can I bill AADL for new hearing aids for that client?

Answer:

AADL does not provide duplicate benefits so if a client is applying to WCB they should wait until they find out if their claim has been denied before they access AADL benefits.

For the same reason, if a client has WCB benefits for hearing aids, a claim should not be placed through AADL for replacement hearing aids. Neither AADL nor WCB replace lost hearing aids as both parties expect clients to have private insurance on their devices.

Disclaimer: This information was accurate at the time of writing. If you have questions or want the most up-to-date information, please contact AADL and WCB.

