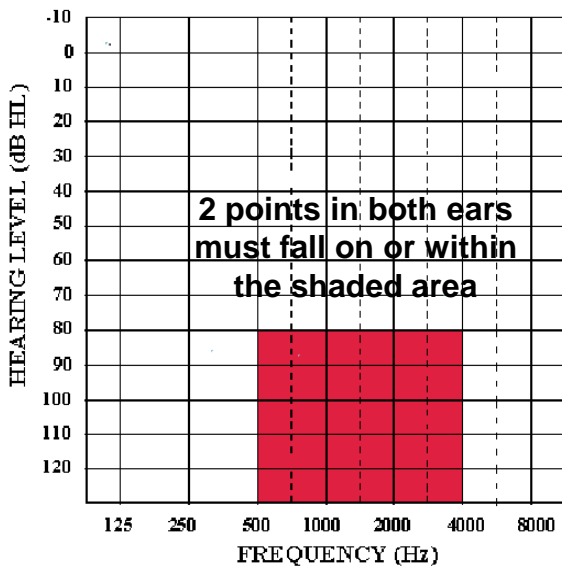


## Referral Guidelines for Cochlear Implant Assessment (NICE 2019)

### Guideline Audiogram

#### Unaided Thresholds



### Cochlear Implant Criteria for Children

- Bilateral severe/profound deafness with **2 or more frequencies in both ears** (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz, 3000Hz & 4000Hz) louder than **80 dBHL** (PTA threshold  $\geq$  80 dBHL)
- Tone pip ABR thresholds at **2 or more frequencies in both ears** (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz, 3000Hz & 4000Hz) louder than **80 dBHL** (Threshold  $\geq$  80 dBHL)
- Hearing aids fitted and consistent use being actively sought
- No minimum age
- Children with additional needs are assessed



**Early referral is essential for any patient deafened by Meningitis with unaided levels falling in the shaded area**

#### Referrals should be made to:

**Prof CH Raine/Mr DR Strachan/Mr MIJ Khan/Mr SD Carr or Head of Service**

Yorkshire Auditory Implant Service  
The Listening for Life Centre  
Bradford Royal Infirmary  
Duckworth Lane  
Bradford BD9 6RJ



**Tel: 01274 364853**  
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### Cochlear Implant Criteria for Adults

- Bilateral severe/profound deafness with **2 or more frequencies in both ears** (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz, 3000Hz & 4000Hz) louder than **80 dBHL** (PTA threshold  $\geq$  80 dBHL)
- Hearing aid used where appropriate
- No maximum age
- Adults with additional needs are assessed

**Website address: [www.yais.org.uk](http://www.yais.org.uk)**

**If in doubt, please contact the Cochlear Implant Team to discuss**