

EBA - Expected Benefit with Amplification

Improved Audibility Rating Scale - First time user, first fitting, *typical ARHL*

Rating	Change in SII65 (aided - unaided)	Expected Patient Benefit
Very High	> 25	Excellent Improvement Expected
High	20 - 25	Very Good Improvement Expected
Average	15 - 19	Good Improvement Expected
Fair	10 - 14	Noticeable Improvement Expected
Low	5 - 9	Slight improvement expected (unless loss is mild or precipitously sloping)
Very Low	< 5	Minimal improvement expected: Re-examine fitting (unless loss is slight)
Nil	0 (or negative)	Red Flag - Re-examine fitting

Note: if a patient's loss is steeply or precipitously sloping (as in many NIHL cases), the change values in SII65 (aided-unaided) may be lower than expected (low or very low) but fitting is still appropriate. Similarly, low or very low change in SII65 values may be considered appropriate if loss is mild or slight.