



VESTIBULAR EVOKED MYOGENIC POTENTIALS (VEMP)

The vestibular evoked myogenic potential (VEMP) is a diagnostic test used to evaluate the health of specific balance organs and associated nerves. It is usually used in a battery of other tests (VNG, ECOG, and hearing test) to determine the site of lesion for balance or dizziness in an individual.

This test is completed by recording and measuring muscle responses from the neck while a loud clicking sound is played in the ears. Even if an individual's hearing loss prohibits them from hearing the test sound, normal responses can be recorded. The tester will clean the skin of the neck, forehead, and sternum (chest). Small surface electrodes will be taped to the skin in these areas. Earphones will be placed in each ear canal. The individual will be asked to lay flat on an exam table, turn their head away from the ear being tested, and raise their head while a sound is played in their ear for up to a minute at a time. The computer will record several responses from each ear.

The audiologist will analyze the test and send the results to the referring physician for review.

It is requested that individuals who are to be tested refrain from applying lotions, foundation, or any other solution to the face, neck, and chest prior to testing. These substances can interfere with testing reliability.

If you have any questions regarding the test itself or the test instructions, please call our office at (972) 566-7359.

Appointment Date: _____ Time: _____

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Patient Appointment Agreement for Audiology Services

Thank you for choosing The Hearing Center at Dallas Ear Institute for your hearing healthcare needs!

Due to the personnel resources and time commitment needed to provide the complex services offered, it is imperative that our patients be very faithful in keeping their scheduled appointments. We understand that unforeseen events occur that require last minute cancellations of appointments. However, Dallas Ear Institute cannot be expected to bear the financial loss that occurs when this reserved appointment time goes unutilized.

In order to ensure your commitment to reserving our time to provide these services, we are informing you up front that you will be billed a \$150 cancellation fee if you cancel within less than two (2) business days notice or do not show up for your scheduled appointment, except in the event of a true emergency. This is a charge that your insurance company, Medicare or Medicaid will not cover. Payment of the cancellation fee will be due prior to rescheduling.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Printed Patients Name

Signature of person financially responsible

Date