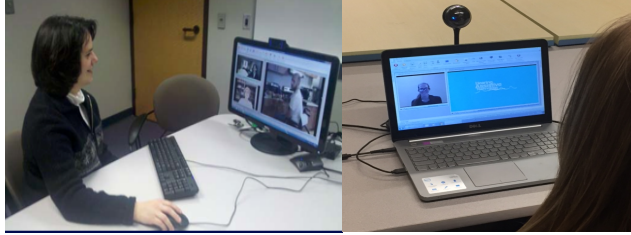


## ADULT COCHLEAR IMPLANT USERS

### You are Invited to Participate in a Research Study on the Benefits of Post-Implantation Training



**Audiologist at Clinic**

**Participant at home or office**

#### **WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE STUDY?**

The purpose of this study is to evaluate the effectiveness of training with adults who have received cochlear implants. Specifically, we will assess two training programs to determine whether they can improve speech understanding and communication in daily life. The study will further evaluate the effectiveness of this training when you receive it remotely in your home or office via computer/internet.

#### **BENEFITS?**

Individual participants may not benefit directly from participating in this study. However, it is hoped that the results will ultimately result in improved access to aural rehabilitation services for individuals with cochlear implants.

#### **WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?**

- You may be eligible to participate in this study if you meet the following requirements:
- You are 18 years of age or older.
- You have had your cochlear implant between 3 months and 3 years.
- You are fluent in English.

#### **WHEN AND WHERE?**

- **Pre-training assessment session** completed at the University of Maryland Hearing and Speech Clinic.
- **6 weekly 90-minute training sessions** at home or office conducted via the internet and telepractice software.
- **One week post-intervention assessment session** completed at the University of Maryland Hearing and Speech Clinic.
- **Two months post-intervention assessment session** completed at the University of Maryland Hearing and Speech Clinic.

#### **Compensation?**

You will receive \$15 via a pre-paid Visa card at the conclusion of each **assessment session** for a total of \$45 over the duration the study.

#### **TO ENROLL IN THIS STUDY:**

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*This study has been approved by the Institutional Review Board at University of Maryland. Identifying information will be kept confidential.*