Communication Strategies: How to Hear Better and Communicate More Effectively to the People that Matter Most

Do you have difficulties hearing in some situations?

Do you wear hearing aids, but they don't help you in those environments?

Does this sound like you? "For the most part - I hear people well, but there are one or two circumstances that are challenging."

Join us for a short interactive discussion to address sound and how it is interpreted in commonly challenging environments. We will discuss the impact of physical room structure, the effects of environmental sounds on conversation, and optimal placement for hearing in various situations.

Participants will learn compensatory strategies (with or without hearing aids) and be able to manipulate their positioning and their environments to maximize hearing and communication.

At the end of this seminar, each participant will be able to:

- 1. Identify challenging acoustic environments for conversation
- 2. Be able to choose an optimal seating for group communication
- 3. Understand and maximize the availability of public or private hearing assistive devices
- 4. Use different techniques to optimize hearing in particularly challenging situations
- 5. Learn from others' experiences with respect to handling particularly challenging situations

This 90 minute seminar is a fun and supportive means to obtain information and improve skills. Group interaction and presence of spouse/significant other is strongly encouraged. Special conditions may apply and specific arrangements can be made.

Cost: \$50