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Subject ID

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Month/Day/Year

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Tinnitus Screener

Tinnitus is ringing, buzzing, humming or other noises in your ears or head.

During the PAST YEAR:

1. Have you experienced tinnitus lasting more than 2 - 3 minutes? ○ NO: <u>STOP HERE</u> ○ YES: GO TO #2	No Tinnitus
2. Have you experienced tinnitus for at least 6 months? ○ NO: GO TO #3 ○ YES: GO TO #3	Acute Tinnitus Chronic Tinnitus
3. In a quiet room, can you hear tinnitus? ○ Always: <u>STOP HERE</u> ○ Usually: <u>STOP HERE</u> ○ Sometimes/Occasionally: GO TO #4	Constant Tinnitus Constant Tinnitus
4. When you heard tinnitus this past year, was it caused by a recent event? (Examples: loud concert, head cold, allergies, some medications) ○ NO: GO TO #6 ○ YES, Sometimes: GO TO #5 ○ YES, Always: GO TO #5	Temporary Tinnitus
5. Does your tinnitus seem to "come and go" on its own, in addition to being caused by a recent event(s)? ○ NO: <u>STOP HERE</u> ○ YES: GO TO #6	Temporary Tinnitus
6. Do you experience tinnitus on a: ○ Daily or weekly basis: STOP HERE ○ Monthly or yearly basis: STOP HERE	Intermittent Tinnitus Occasional Tinnitus

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TINNITUS VERIFICATION

After patient/subject is settled and comfortable in the sound booth, ask the question:

1. Right now, do you hear any sounds in your ears or head?" (*check answer below*)

- ☐ NO
☐ YES

If NO, and results of the Tinnitus Screener indicated "no tinnitus", "occasional" or "temporary-tinnitus only," check **"true negative"** below.

If NO, and results of the Tinnitus Screener indicated "constant" or "intermittent" tinnitus, ask the question:

"Earlier, when asked about tinnitus, your answer suggested you hear tinnitus most of the time. Is that still true for you and you're just not hearing it right now?"

- ☐ NO, not hearing tinnitus most of the time. (Check **"false positive"** below)
☐ YES, it is still true but just not hearing it now. (Check **"true positive"** below)

If "YES" and results of the Tinnitus Screener indicated "constant" or "intermittent" tinnitus, then check **"true positive"** below.

If "YES" and results of the Tinnitus Screener indicated "no tinnitus", "occasional" or "temporary-tinnitus only," ask the question:

"Do you ever hear sound in your ears or head that lasts more than 2-3 minutes when you are outside of a test booth like this one?"

- ☐ NO (Check **"true negative"** below)
☐ YES (Check **"false negative"** below)

Please check verification of Tinnitus Screener response:

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| ☐ True negative | ☐ True positive |
| ☐ False negative | ☐ False positive |

TINNITUS CATEGORIZATION

Based on results of the Tinnitus Screener, in-booth questioning, and other answers to tinnitus questions, each subject will be categorized as one of the following:

Chronic tinnitus = tinnitus of at least 6 months duration; subcategories would be “constant” and “intermittent” (**constant** = can usually hear it when in a quiet environment; **intermittent** = tinnitus vacillates between “present” and “not present” on a regular basis, e.g., daily or weekly)

Acute tinnitus = tinnitus of less than 6 months duration; subcategories would be “constant” and “intermittent”

Occasional tinnitus = tinnitus that is experienced on an irregular basis, e.g., “monthly or yearly”.

Temporary-only tinnitus = tinnitus that has been linked to some event (e.g., noise, ototoxicity) and lasted a period of time following the event and then subsided

No tinnitus = has not experienced tinnitus lasting more than 2-3 minutes in past year