Audiological approaches to address the psychosocial needs of adults with hearing loss: perceived benefit and likelihood of use

Study by Bennett et al.1

To examine the utilisation and perceived benefit of clinical approaches grouped in 7 themes2 and aimed at addressing the psychosocial needs of adults with hearing loss:

- Including communication partners
- Promoting client responsibility
- Strategies for training to personalize rehab program
- Facilitating peer and other professional support
- Improving social engagement with technology
- Providing emotional support
- Client empowerment

Highest rated themes

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Considerations for Practice

The current study provides further justification for including psychosocial interventions training in audiology education and continued professional development opportunities for audiologists.