Hearing loss - the unmet need

Hearing loss statistics

The present

That’s 360 million people worldwide have disabling hearing loss including:

- 32 million children
- 328 million adults

5% of the global population has disabling hearing loss.

The future

- 1.1 billion people worldwide are at risk of hearing loss

The future global annual cost of unaddressed hearing loss is estimated to be $750 billion international dollars.

Life without a hearing solution

Untreated hearing loss can lead to:

- Communications barriers with family and friends
- Increased risk of falls
- Loneliness
- Social isolation and depression
- Increased risk of unemployment
- Higher risk of cognitive decline and dementia
- Loneliness

How to recognise the symptoms

It is important you can spot the signs of hearing loss. If you recognise any of the following symptoms then be sure to visit your doctor for a hearing test:

- Asking people to repeat themselves
- Difficulty hearing on the phone
- Feeling tired or stressed from having to concentrate while listening
- Feeling it hard to keep up with a conversation
- Listening to music or watching TV with the volume higher than other people need

References: