

Impact of Hearing Loss and Treatment Options in Asia

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Asia is a vast, populous region with a complex mixture of mature and evolving economic, health and social systems and structures. This is reflected in the approach to hearing loss diagnosis and treatment of hearing loss across Asia. Focussing on Hong Kong, Singapore and China, we will discuss each country's evolution in the diagnosing and treating of hearing loss, current practices in hearing screening, diagnosis, treatment options and approaches to re/habilitation, including funding mechanisms. Additionally, we will focus on the current challenges and opportunities in areas of audiology clinician training and education and the impact the large ageing population is having on the (hearing) health systems in these countries.