

Auditory/Vestibular/Cognitive Issues with 10 Chronic Illnesses compiled by Robert M. DiSogra, AuD

Illness	HL	Vestib	Tinnitus	Cog.	Comments
Asthma	SNHL (>10kHz)	Y	Y (with SNHL)	Y	HL can be sudden
Cancer	SNHL (usually HF)	Y	Y (with SNHL)	Y	HL from Rx* HL occurs w/in 24 hr; HL can reverse after Rx is discontinued; See chemo drug mfg. info sheet or online web-site references*
Chronic Kidney Disease	SNHL >1kHz	Y	Y (with SNHL)	Y	Stages 3,4,5 at risk for HL
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	SNHL	Y	Y (with SNHL)	Y	Low to mid freqs. only; women more at risk
Coronary Heart Disease	SNHL	Y	Y (with SNHL)	Y	All frequencies at risk; HL is permanent;
Depression	See Comments	-	-		Pre-existing HL can result in communication problems and isolation leading to depression. <i>Depresssion by tself does not cause HL</i>
Diabetes	SNHL	Y	Y (with SNHL)	Y	HL is permanent
High Cholesterol	See Coronary Heart Disease	-	-		
Hypertension	See Coronary Heart Disease	-	-		
Obesity/Fall Risk	SNHL	Y	Y (with SNHL)	Y	Diet and exercise a major component of successful management

*Side effects reference: drug manufacturer, www.rxlist.com, www.drugs.com (not an endorsement by RMD)