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P o s s i b l e consequences of not dealing with a hearing loss include:

- Relatives and friends may become irritated and intolerant.
- Increased social isolation.
- ●Annoyance of family and neighbours (television is to loud).
- Difficulties at work resulting
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 misunderstandin
 gs or mistakes.
- Exposure to danger through r e d u c e d awareness of warning sounds such as sirens.
- Development of feelings of anger, and frustration.

SIGNS OF HEARING LOSS

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ecognizing that you or someone you know has a hearing loss is the first step toward improving the situation. Most often hearing loss develops slowly and gradually. Some signs that may indicate a hearing loss include:

- Difficulty hearing in public gatherings.
- Difficulty hearing the television, radio or telephone.
- Difficulty understanding conversation within a group of people.
- Requesting frequent repetition or misunderstanding people.
- Feeling that people mumble and do not speak clearly.
- Finding that it is necessary to sit up front at church or in auditoriums
- Having trouble following conversation between the front and back seat of a car.

• Family members or loved ones commenting on your inability to hear.

If you are experiencing any one of these symptoms it may mean that you have a hearing problem. If you are experiencing several of these symptoms it strongly suggests the need for a hearing evaluation.

Research has shown that it may take a person as long as 15 years from the onset of experiencing hearing difficulties to decide to deal with them. Unfortunately the passage of time tends only to compound the problems that can arise as a result of a hearing loss.

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