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I am a teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing with a daughter who coincidentally experienced temporary hearing loss. We were grateful for her insurance covering some services, but her hearing devices had to be on a loan from the audiologist because hearing was considered an elective. With her hearing aid she was able to continue to learn and develop her listening and speaking skills. Without this device (many people do not have access to loans) her development would have been delayed like many of my students who have not had access to coverage for hearing services and/or devices. Please make coverage for all hearing services and devices accessible for ALL.