

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Hearing Loss Awareness Meeting

Date: January 6, 2023

Time: 6:00 PM CST

Location: Virtual

Agenda:

Introductions

Presentation on Hearing Loss

Personal Testimony from Individual with Hearing Loss

Expert Presentation on Diagnosis and Support

Discussion and Q&A

Next Steps and Action Items

Adjournment

Minutes:

Introductions:

The meeting commenced with a warm welcome to all participants.

Presentation on Hearing Loss:

A presentation was given to provide an understanding of hearing loss, its causes, and impacts. The presentation aimed to raise awareness, dispel misconceptions, and promote understanding of the challenges faced by individuals with hearing loss.

Personal Testimony from Individual with Hearing Loss:

An individual with hearing loss shared their personal experiences, providing valuable insights into their daily struggles and triumphs. They discussed the impact of hearing loss on communication, relationships, and the importance of inclusive practices.

Expert Presentation on Diagnosis and Support:

An expert specializing in the diagnosis and support of individuals with hearing loss delivered a comprehensive presentation. They discussed various types and degrees of hearing loss, diagnostic methods, and available support options, such as hearing aids and assistive technologies. The emphasis was on promoting accessibility and improving the quality of life for individuals with hearing loss.

#### Discussion and Q&A:

Participants engaged in an open discussion, sharing their thoughts, concerns, and asking questions related to hearing loss. The conversation covered topics such as communication strategies, workplace accommodations, and the role of technology in facilitating inclusivity. Participants also discussed the importance of creating a supportive environment for individuals with hearing loss.

#### Next Steps and Action Items:

- It was decided to organize an awareness campaign to educate the community about hearing loss and promote inclusivity.
- Participants volunteered to develop informational materials and resources to be distributed in schools, workplaces, and community centers.
- Exploring partnerships with local healthcare providers and audiologists to offer free hearing screenings and promote early detection of hearing loss.
- Planning community events and workshops to provide education on communication techniques and sign language basics.

#### Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned promptly at 8:00 PM, with gratitude expressed to all attendees for their active participation and commitment to raising awareness about hearing loss.

Minutes recorded by Arnav Ghosh.