



PROTECT YOUR HEARING IN LESS TIME THAN IT TAKES TO DAMAGE IT

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Hearing loss is a national epidemic! On a daily basis **22 million** Americans are exposed to hazardous sound levels in the workplace. Noise-induced hearing loss is caused by a one-time exposure to hazardous sound levels as well as repeated exposure to various sound levels over an extended period of time.

Noise-induced Hearing is no respecter of age. **5.2 million** children ages **6-19** suffer from hearing loss attributed to excessive amounts of hazardous sound levels. Approximately **30 million** Americans ages **20-69** have high frequency hearing loss due to exposure to hazardous sound levels or noise at work or in leisure activities. Approximately **50 million** Americans are affected by tinnitus (ringing or buzzing sensation of the ear)

OVERVIEW OF PRESENTATION

Whether the participants are executives, front-line workers, or the entire organization, Brian engages his audiences with the “ultimate hearing experience” that involves unique demonstrations of how sounds is involved in even the most surprising activities at work, home, and recreation. Features of this educational, interactive presentation include group discussion and experience-based demonstrations of the following:

- > **What is sound**
- > **Basic anatomy of the human ear**
- > **How we damage our hearing**
- > **The effectiveness, advantages, and disadvantages of various types of hearing protection strategies**
- > **How to properly select and wear various types of hearing protection products**
- > **Specific activities, equipment, or operations that produce high noise levels**

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OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES

Participants in this workshop will gain:

- > **Improved knowledge and awareness about noise-induced hearing loss,**
- > **Increased accessibility to noise-induced hearing loss practice,**
- > **Understanding and motivation to be a role model for healthy hearing, and**
- > **More self-efficacy regarding hearing protection.**

This program, created and delivered by Brian, is an OSHA-certified occupational hearing conservation program in compliance with Standard 29 CFR 1910.95. He demonstrates ways to incorporate hearing conservation in your organization's health and safety practices.

ABOUT BRIAN FELSEN



Brian Felsen is a certified occupational hearing conservationist (COHC), a Dangerous Decibels certified educator, and proud Minnesota native who studied business management in Santa Barbara, CA.

Today, with a lifetime of mostly self-imposed, unknowing overexposure to hazardous sound levels from playing music, performing, attending live shows and countless sporting events, Brian travels to school districts, private music schools, organizations, and companies throughout the country inspiring others to protect and preserve their hearing health. Brian works with domestic and international organizations to improve people's understanding of, appreciation for, and commitment to caring for their ears.

In addition to his presentations, Brian offers on-site HIPPA-verified Audiometric Testing, E-A-R fit validation, 3M custom-branded consumer and promotional hearing protection, and OSHA-certified Occupational Hearing Conservation Programs in compliance with Standard 29 CFR 1910.95.

Aside from his life's work, Brian is a golfer, reader, volunteer to many causes, musician, music aficionado of all genres and a lover of all animals, especially dogs and particularly his late, beloved border collie rescue, Minnea (pronounced like "Mini", short for Minneapolis).

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