

# **EAR CONSULTANTS OF GEORGIA**

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## **Cochlear Implant Pre- & Post-OP Timeline**

1. Medical Evaluation
2. Audiological Evaluation – hearing test with and without hearing aids
3. ENG for adults/ABR testing for children
4. CT or MRI scan
5. Meningitis Vaccine – completed by your primary care physician
6. Hearing aid Trial – length of trial determined on an individual basis
7. Letter of Understanding (Medicaid only)
8. Psychological Eval. Dr. Alexandra Mena-Phipps 770-451-5912 (Medicaid only)
9. Pre-authorize and schedule surgery
10. Pre-op visits (Dr. Bhansali and hospital)
11. Surgery
12. Ten day post-op visit with Dr. Bhansali
13. Turn on cochlear implant approx. 4 weeks post surgery

## **Implant Speech Processor Programming Schedule**

- Appointments are for 1 hour.
  - The schedule is a guideline of what to expect. The frequency may change depending on progress and individual needs.
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- Initial stimulation (turning on implant – 1<sup>st</sup> visit)
  - Follow up 1-2 weeks
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  - Follow up 1 month
  - Follow up 1 month
  - Follow up 3 months
  - Follow up 6 months
  - Follow up 6months