

NAL-NL3 Clinician FAQs

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How is the NAL-NL3 Prescription different from NAL-NL2?

The NAL-NL3 Prescription maintains the same underlying philosophy as NAL-NL2 (to maximise speech intelligibility while maintaining loudness comfort) but with key improvements that reduce excessive high-frequency gain, reducing low-frequency gain for reverse-sloping and mixed losses, and limit high compression ratios.

For more information on the Prescription and the NAL-NL3 fitting system (including its Modules), refer to NAL-NL3.com.au

How do I fit the NAL-NL3 Prescription if it's not in the Hearing Aid fitting software yet?

Start with NAL-NL2 in the Hearing Aid fitting software. Select NAL-NL3 in MedRx Studio Software and verify against targets. Note: this includes Real-Ear-Measures (REM) for insertion gain, and Live Speech Mapping.

How do I use Comfort in Noise Module, if it's not in the Hearing Aid fitting software yet?

As Comfort in Noise Module is not yet available in Hearing Aid fitting software, follow these steps

1. Create a secondary program in the hearing aid with features designed for hearing speech in noise (Directional Microphone, Noise Reduction, etc). Depending on the manufacturer of the hearing aid, this could be a pre-set program, or a custom-made program.
2. Use noise-optimised programs and the recommended coupling outlined in the Clinician Cheat Sheet.
3. In this program, verify targets against NAL-NL3 Comfort in Noise Module using MedRx Studio Software. Note: follow standard REM procedures, including running REM measurements in the appropriate REM mode (with directional and automatic features disabled).

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How do I use the Minimal Hearing Loss Module, if it's not in the Hearing Aid fitting software yet?

The Minimal Hearing Loss Module is an evidence-based prescriptive approach for adults who have normal or near-normal audiograms (4FAHL < 25dBHL) but have trouble hearing in challenging situations, where a traditional hearing aid prescription will not provide a useable amount of gain. The Minimal Hearing Loss Module provides an amplification profile that provides audibility of advanced hearing aid features that assist in hearing speech in noise (Binaural beamformer, Advanced Noise Reduction, etc) while not being too loud for the listener. This Module is designed only for situational use in noise or environments with poor Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR).

As the Minimal Hearing Loss Module is not yet available in the Hearing Aid fitting software, follow these steps:

1. Program the hearing aid with the most advanced features available designed for hearing speech in noise (Binaural beamformer, Advanced Noise Reduction, etc).
2. Use the most occluding coupling acceptable, as outlined in the Clinician Cheat Sheet.
3. Verify targets against NAL-NL3 Minimal Hearing Loss Module using MedRx Studio Software. Note: follow standard REM procedures, including running REM measurements in the appropriate REM mode (with directional and automatic features disabled).

To achieve the best listening benefit, we recommend using a more occluding coupling, supported by appropriate counselling on occlusion and guidance based on the person's intended usage and listening need. Because the device is intended for use in noisy situations only, occlusion of the user's own voice will not be as noticeable as it would be in quiet.

Note: coupling choice may be more occluding than what you might recommend for all-day use cases.