

Do You Hear Me Now?

If you are prone to earwax build-up, consider seeing Susan Baker at Advanced Hearing Services for a checkup and/or routine cleanings. Susan has been helping her patients with their hearing healthcare for over 18 years.

Earwax, also referred to as cerumen, is typically produced by our body in healthy normal amounts. The earwax comes from the production of oil from oil glands in our skin. It serves a self-cleaning agent with protective, lubricating, and antibacterial properties.



It is strongly advised to not use a Waterpik or ear candling. Earwax isn't formed in the deep part of the ear canal near the eardrum. It's only formed in the outer part of the ear canal. So, when a patient has wax blockage against the eardrum, it is often because he has been probing the ear with such things as cotton-tipped applicators, bobby pins, or twisted napkin corners. These objects only push the wax in deeper.

Although, when the wax builds up in our ear canals it can prevent us from hearing. The typical symptoms of wax build-up include: 1. A feeling of fullness in the ear. 2. Pain in the ear. 3. Difficulty hearing, which may continue to worsen. 4. Ringing in the ear (tinnitus). 5. A feeling of itchiness in the ear.

Patients typically ask if Susan can predict the rate of earwax that an individual will produce. Unfortunately, the answer is no, but there is a way to manage the build-up by using an all organic, natural oil, called Miracell. Miracell will help with other skin issues such as dry skin and itchy ears.

Susan Baker is the owner and operator of Advanced Hearing Services in Fort Collins. She has been helping people with hearing loss and tinnitus for the past 18 years. Please call (970) 221-5249 for an appointment today.

