

Traveling tips

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- 2** Use your information card to show airport personnel about your cochlear implant.
- 3** Check gate screens frequently. You may not hear a gate change over the intercom with background noise.
- 4** Always carry back-ups of your cochlear implant parts in your carry-on baggage.
- 5** Your cochlear implant does not interfere with the plane's systems. You do not need to turn off your cochlear implant during takeoff or during landing.
- 6** Remember to pack any assistive technology you need when traveling, including your favorite alarm clock and any connecting accessories. See the *Resource 10. Assistive technology handout* for more information about connecting accessories.



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Travel-size handout

Use this travel-size checklist in your wallet or on your refrigerator.



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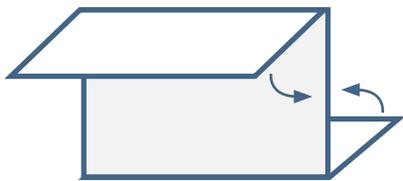




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Information card

Use this card to explain your cochlear implant to airport personnel.



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I am implanted with a medical hearing device called a cochlear implant. The device is made of metal and implanted under the skin behind my ear. It contains a magnet and is connected to electrodes internally. The external parts are worn behind my ear, on my head, or in my pocket.

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Without these components, I cannot hear you. With my cochlear implant, I can hear you, but I may have difficulty in a noisy environment. Please get my attention before speaking to me and face me, so I can read your lips.

In case of emergencies, my contact information is below.

Name: _____

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Address: _____

Emergency contact name: _____

Telephone number: _____

Audiologist name: _____

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