

## Insurance Coverage for Hearing Aids

### Important points to communicate to legislators

- Cost of hearing aids & lack of third-party reimbursement is most common reason for non-use of hearing aids by those who need them.
- Only 4 in 10 hearing aids purchased in 2008 were covered by third-party payment.
- Retirees live on a fixed income which often precludes the purchase of hearing aids.
- Many retirees are facing loss of retirement income and other health benefits.