

Dispensing Audiologists—They Once Walked a Lonely Road

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Article summary: Fifty years ago, audiologists who heeded an inner call to help people with hearing loss through personal hands-on marketing of hearing aids were labeled as “unethical” audiologists. They became pioneers in the field of dispensing audiology. Here are the personal stories of four masters degree audiologists who were among the very first to venture into dispensing hearing aids: Jim Curran, John Schuneman, Mel Sorkowitz, and Otis Whitcomb.

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