

# BECOME AN AUDIOLOGIST IN THE U.S. ARMY RESERVE



**JOIN THE TEAM THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE**



## **JOB DUTIES**

- Performing hearing tests
- Developing improved communication strategies
- Evaluating protective devices
- Developing hearing conservation programs

## **HELPFUL SKILLS**

- Ability to make accurate, immediate decisions
- Perform under stress
- Apply critical technical and thinking skills
- Tremendous concentration

## **FINANCIAL INCENTIVES**

In return for your commitment, the Army Reserve provides a second income that includes regular pay raises and opportunities for promotion, plus various financial and educational incentives. Some of these incentives include:

- Healthcare Professionals Loan Repayment Program (HPLR) - up to \$250,000 for qualified candidates
- Low cost medical, dental and life insurance
- Full retirement benefits at age 60 with 20 years qualifying service
- Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) - a flexible, portable retirement savings and investment plan similar to a 401(k)
- Montgomery GI Bill (Selected Reserve) for additional formal coursework at accredited schools
- Continuing medical education conference tuition and lodging funding
- Post exchange and commissary shopping privileges
- Access to Army recreational facilities
- Discounted worldwide travel opportunities

For more information contact your local Army Reserve Health Care recruiter, either by calling 1-800-USA-ARMY or by visiting us at [healthcare.goarmy.com](http://healthcare.goarmy.com). An Army Reserve Health Care Recruiter will answer any questions you may have, as well as arrange for you to speak with an Army Reserve audiologist, should you so desire.

## **YOU'RE AN AUDIOLOGIST AND AN OFFICER**

The audiologist is primarily responsible for helping Soldiers preserve an important communication tool: the ability to hear. Audiologists work with the most advanced technology and develop new skills that can enhance your career.

In addition to a health care provider, you will be a commissioned officer, gaining the respect, responsibility and prestige that are afforded your rank. Your Army Reserve experience will begin with the Basic Officer Leadership Course at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas. In this two-week orientation, you and your colleagues will learn about the Army way of life and experience the physical and mental challenges you'll face as an officer and a leader while serving with the Army Reserve Health Care Team.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- Requires a doctoral degree from an accredited program in audiology from a school acceptable to the OTSG. Candidates with a clinical doctoral degree (Au.D.) must have completed an accredited 1 year clinical audiology externship or be enrolled in the Army Audiology Externship Program (AEP).
- Permanent U.S. residency is required for Reserve duty officers.
- Must be between 21 and 42 years of age (may request a waiver, locate A Recruiter for more information.)
- Must be a U.S. citizen

## **TRAINING**

Job training for an audiologist includes completing an Basic Officer Leaders Course, which introduces you to the Army Health Care system, Army doctrine and basic Soldier/leader skills.