

Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Bristol Bay Cellular Partnership offers hearing aid compatible cellular phones. Following is a list of phones that have been tested and rated “M” or “T” for Hearing Aid Compatibility (HAC).

<b>Phone/Model</b>	<b>FCC ID Number</b>	<b>Air Interface</b>	<b>Frequency Bands</b>	<b>HAC</b>	<b>Months Offered</b>	<b>Wi-Fi Interface</b>	<b>Level of Functionality</b>
<b>Alcatel OT-800</b>	RAD106	GSM	850/900/1800/1900	M3	Jan-Dec	No	High End
<b>Alcatel OT-802A</b>	RAD133	GSM	850/1800/1900	M3	Jan-Dec	No	High End
<b>Moto RAZR V3i</b>	IHDT56GW1	GSM	850/900/1800/1900	M3/T3	Jan-Dec	No	Mid-Tier
<b>Moto ROKRW5</b>	1HDT56HB1	GSM	850/900/1800/1900	M3/T3	Jan-Dec	No	High End
<b>Moto RAZR V8</b>	1HDT56HZ1	GSM	850/900/1800/1900	M3/T3	Jan-Dec	Yes	Mid Tier
<b>Moto VA76R</b>	LHDP56HM1	GSM	850/900/1800/1900	M3/T3	Jan-Dec	No	Mid-Tier
<b>Nokia 2720</b>	QTLRM-250	GSM	850/1900	M3/T3	Jan-Dec	No	Entry
<b>Samsung Rugby</b>	A3LSGHA837	GSM	850/900/1800/1900	M3/T3	Jan-Dec	No	High End
<b>Samsung SGH-T369</b>	A3LSGHT369	GSM	850/900/1800/1900	M3/T4	Jan-Dec	No	High End

Hearing loss and hearing aids are individualized so customers who use hearing aids are encouraged to try our hearing aid compatible phones to determine which phone will work best for them.

Bristol Bay Cellular Partnership's HAC mobile units are categorized by price per unit. "High End Phones (\$200+)" generally have advanced features such as a camera, Bluetooth, and Internet access capability, increased storage and longer battery life. Mid-Tier Phones (\$150-\$200) may have camera, Bluetooth, and Internet access capability, but older or less stylish. Low End Phones (Less than \$150) offer basic wireless features, may or may not have a camera, Bluetooth, and Internet access capability, and generally are heavier and lack such features as MP3 players and expandable memory.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) defines Hearing Aid Compatibility (HAC) for wireless devices in terms of radio frequency (RF) emissions and telecoil coupling. Cell Phones are tested to see if they comply with the FCC's definition of hearing aid compatibility.

"M" refers to the RF emissions level of the handset device, and means the device is intended for use with hearing aids in microphone mode. The higher the "M" rating number on the device, the more likely the device can be used with a hearing aid on the microphone setting.

"T" refers to the device's telcoil coupling ability, and means the device is intended for use with hearing aids in telecoil mode. The higher the "T" rating number on the device, the more likely the device can be used with a hearing aid on the telecoil setting. A telecoil is a small device that is built into some hearing aids for use with the telephone as well as assistive listening devices. To use the telecoil, generally either the hearing aid is switched to the "T" position or a button on the hearing aid is pushed to select the telecoil program. Some newer hearing aids will automatically switch to telecoil mode when using a phone. The telecoil picks up magnetic fields generated by telephones and converts these fields into sound. Telecoils are particularly useful for telephone communication because they permit the volume control of a hearing aid to be turned up without creating feedback or "whistling," and background noise can be reduced especially when using cell phones in noisy places. A hearing health professional can determine whether a hearing aid contains a telecoil and how it is activated.