## Paid Research Opportunity

We are looking for Veterans to participate in a research study to understand how **blast exposure** and **head injury** impact hearing.

## You may qualify if:

- You are between the ages of 20 and 55 years
- You have had either:
  - **Concussion** diagnosis since 2001
  - Traumatic brain injury (TBI) diagnosis since 2001
  - Have been exposed to a high-intensity blast (e.g. IED, morters, grenades, etc) since 2001



## For more information, please call **503.220.8262** Chan: 56651 or Melissa: 52622

An appointment for a hearing test will be arranged to see whether you meet the study criteria. You may benefit from being in this study because you will receive a hearing test. This is a research study and should not be considered to be treatment.

- Volunteers will listen to sounds over earphones and indicate what they have heard.
- Study visits will last between 2 3 hours each, and will be scheduled at your convenience. You will be <u>paid \$25 for each hour of testing</u> <u>that you complete.</u>

This study (#4004) is being conducted by Dr. Melissa Papesh, AuD, PhD, at NCRAR located at the VA Portland Healthcare System, 3710 SW US Veterans Hospital Rd, Portland, OR 97239.



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