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Kyle Murphy is a Teen in Motion

15-year-old is amazed by how his Motion SX hearing aids make communicating with friends and family easier in a wide variety of scenarios.

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15-year-old Kyle Murphy has coped with severe hearing loss his entire life. When he turned two and had not started to talk, testing revealed a diagnosis with which many parents of children with hearing loss are familiar – he was born with a Connexin 26 genetic disorder responsible for at least 20 percent of all genetic hearing loss and 10 percent of all childhood hearing loss.

“My advice to any parent who suspects a child may have hearing loss is not to let the fear of what the diagnosis might be cause them to delay testing,” said Kyle’s father, Dan. “The early diagnosis helped us determine the best course of action.”

The family discovered the renowned Moog Center for Deaf Education in nearby St. Louis, where Kyle and his brother, who is completely deaf, were taught the same subjects hearing children learn in preschool and early elementary school to prepare them to enter mainstream schools sooner rather than later.

“Both of our sons learned how to read lips and speak,” said Dan. “Kyle started there when he was almost three-years-old, and at first he really struggled, even though he could hear with his first set of hearing aids.”

Because Kyle has worn hearing aids for so long he has first-hand experience with all of the advancements made in hearing aid technology over the past decade. As a high school sophomore, he decided to try Siemens Motion® SX at the recommendation of his audiologist.

“I can follow and participate in conversations with multiple people, even if we’re all talking at once,” said Kyle. “Then I can select another setting when I’m doing something with much less background noise like talking with my family while we watch TV.”

Kyle finds Motion SX small and comfortable. He wears them all day, except when he goes swimming or while wearing his headphones to play video games.

“I used to struggle to carry on conversations in large rooms like my school’s cafeteria, because the surrounding noise made it difficult for me to hear individual people talking to me,” said Kyle. “But now I can quickly adjust the setting on my smartphone app, and with a little concentration, ambient noise does not bother me.”



“My favorite feature is the smartphone app that lets me just push a button to change the settings on my Motion SX hearing aids, so they can adapt to specific sound waves.”

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