Overview: Auditory Processing Deficiency

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Auditory Processing Deficiency, also commonly referred to as CAPD (Central Auditory Processing Disorder), affects how the brain processes and understands what the ear hears. It is important to note that CAPD can happen without any sort of hearing loss.

Noticeable Behaviors:

- Needs instructions repeated frequently
- Easily distracted and disturbed by background noise
- Often misunderstands oral directions
- May have problems with spelling and reading
- Interprets words too literally
- Has trouble distinguishing between similar sounds

Accommodation Strategies:

- Work in a quiet location, with minimal distractions
- Request written directions whenever possible
- Request copies of lecture notes/summaries
- Ask for directions to be given one at a time (clearly)
- Use tape recorders and take notes
- Speak slowly
- Tackle one task at a time

Helpful Resources:

- Tartan Products