It takes a truly dedicated approach to help children with hearing problems achieve their full potential. That's why we deliver the solutions and services that professionals and caregivers need to provide children the opportunities they deserve. This is what child-friendly hearing care is all about.

People First is our promise to empower people to communicate freely, interact naturally and participate actively.

Amigo Star...
A new STAR in school

Finally, a discreet and comfortable FM device that helps children concentrate on the task at hand.
Finally, a comfortable, easy-to-use and reliable FM receiver that helps children get the most out of learning situations. FM systems used in the classroom have been found to reduce listening effort. Amigo Star has the ability to help children conserve some of their resources to concentrate on what matters most - learning.

Amigo Star empowers school children with listening difficulties and allows them to reach their full potential. This FM receiver helps children cope in challenging listening situations by providing a better signal-to-noise ratio.

The Amigo Star is the latest evolution of our Amigo FM solutions. Designed for real life with our promise to be “FM made friendly”, Amigo Star helps make your student with listening difficulties the new star in school.

Amigo Star brings out the stars in class

Amigo Star can be used to assist children:
- Without hearing loss to better comprehend speech
- With listening difficulties
- With reading delays
- Who are not native speakers of the local language
Adding FM equipment to the classroom is about collaboration: making it easy to use for the teacher while ensuring students benefit from improved listening conditions.

Children apply a huge amount of their resources trying to follow what is going on in class and understanding what they hear. At the same time, teachers want to be sure no student misses out and that any tools they use work effectively and simply.

Amigo Star helps children overcome distracting background noise so that they can conserve some of their resources to concentrate on learning (Howard et al. 2010, Johnston et al. 2009). Amigo Star gives access to the teacher’s voice by overcoming the distance and increasing the signal-to-noise ratio at the child’s ear. Amigo Star is comfortable to wear, coolly stylish and discreet and delivers improved speech intelligibility for language development and learning. Together, these benefits help contribute to increased wearing time and enhance children’s ability and motivation to follow class.

For teachers, the Amigo FM system makes addressing the entire class easier by helping them focus on what is important: teaching. Amigo Star ensures they are clearly understood by children with comprehension challenges no matter where they move in the classroom and that every word can be heard.

She said that she felt it helped her pay attention. At one point she said, “I tried daydreaming today and I couldn’t!”

Sarah T., Elementary school teacher, NJ, USA


“Star quality performance”

**Comfortable**
- Designed to be comfortable and discreet with instantaneous listening benefits and customizable fit with Corda2 thin tubes and domes.

**Easy to handle**
- Intuitive user interface with LED visual status indicator, VC wheel with programmable lock, tamper resistant battery door option and Channel Seek button.

**Reliable**
- A robust design, inexpensive replacement parts, excellent wax protection and easy cleaning offer enhanced durability.

The Amigo Star FM system includes a student worn, ear level receiver and a teacher worn microphone and transmitter.
Easy functionality and stylish design help ensure Amigo Star integrates perfectly into class to encourage greater wearing time.

Much of the challenge of getting school children and teenagers to accept hearing assistive technology is finding a device they will feel comfortable and confident wearing. Amigo Star is extremely discreet and available in an array of colors. It is also comfortable to wear because the instruments can be customized to fit each child’s ear snugly and properly. And because Amigo Star lets students access the sounds they need to hear clearly, it can help make listening and concentration easier, and increase wearing time.

**Amigo Star offers:**
- Discreet appearance with transparent Corda2 thin tubes and domes
- Frequency response based on DSL pediatric fitting targets
- Consistency with verification procedures recommended by professional organizations
- Excellent sound quality to promote easy acceptance
- Improved SNR
- Custom fitting to suit each student’s ear shape and ear canal size

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“I like it. It looks really cool and I like the thin tube. When I looked in the mirror it was hardly visible.”

Brittany, 13 years old, grade 8, Holy Family School, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
Unlike some communication devices, Amigo Star is quite simply a plug and play solution that is reliable and ready to use in no time. Too often today's FM devices are overly complex. That increases the time needed to instruct teachers who simply desire a device that is quick to set up and one which will instantly tell them the operation status. This is exactly what Amigo Star delivers.

Amigo Star is an intuitive and user-friendly FM device that includes unique features in its category: Channel Seek, volume control wheel with programmable lock and LED visual status indicator.

**Easy handling:**
- Volume control on the device
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"One feature I really did like was the button on the bottom that scanned the room for the closest transmitter. That was definitely very helpful."

Shaina Nishimura, AuD, CCC-A, Educational Audiologist, REM Audiology, Voorhees, NJ, USA
Now teachers can use a robustly designed FM device with inexpensive replacement parts

Attending to technical problems during class wastes time and is frustrating for teachers and students. Many solutions do not stand up to the wear and tear of use by young users and repairs can be costly and time consuming. Teachers can be assured Amigo Star will go the distance.

Amigo Star is water resistant and withstands being accidentally dropped. The device is easy to service thanks to Corda2 thin tubes and domes. Unlike similar FM devices with fixed receiver-in-the-ear design, Amigo Star’s disposable coupling to the ear not only ensures a custom fit, but is easily replaced on-site and inexpensive.

What sets Amigo Star apart:

- Fitting to suit each student’s ear shape and canal size
- Easy to clean and hygienic with excellent wax protection
- Water resistant with IP57 classification
- Withstands being accidentally dropped

“I found the Corda very efficient because it’s easy to change. If it breaks or bends, you just slip on a new one. I’ve had no problems whatsoever.”

Shaina Nishimura, Au.D, CCC-A, Educational Audiologist, REM Audiology, Voorhees, NJ, USA
Support always on hand

Oticon’s commitment to supporting your work meeting teachers’ needs and improving the wellbeing of children goes much further than innovation.

You can depend on Amigo Star to be easy to use, trust and service but if you have questions or need assistance we are always ready to offer qualified advice and troubleshooting.

Areas of support:

- Toll-free hotline manned by audiologists and FM specialists
- Account managers to address your particular needs
- White papers to support you with research
- Literature review of studies on FM and listening effort
- Pediatric-focused website with testimonials from educational audiologists, teachers and children
- Instructional videos on how to use Amigo Star
- Getting started guides for Amigo Star & T5 and Amigo Star & T30/T31

Now that you’ve had a taste of the everyday challenges and their potential solutions, we invite you to find out more at www.oticonusa.com/amigo or contact your local Oticon representative.
Presenting the best in class
A palette of cool colors and a desk full of fitting options