Mobile apps to aid Communication Access for Individuals who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing and DeafBlind

The NC DHHS Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing does not endorse or recommend any of the specific no-cost apps listed below. They are listed for informational purposes only. The list is not all inclusive. Additional apps can be found for purchase or at no cost at an app store using the search terms described.

Personal Amplification Apps [search: sound amplifier, sound amplification or amplification]
- Jacoti ListenApp (iOS)
- Sound Amplifier (Android)
- EarMachine (iOS)
- Apple’s Live Listen works with Apple AirPods, Made for iPhone headphones, and certain hearing aids or cochlear implants.

*Personal amplifiers which are different than personal amplification apps, are devices specifically designed for amplifying sound for people with hearing loss.

Speech to Text Apps [search: speech to text or voice to text]
- Google Live Transcribe (User can type response. Many languages) (Android)
- Microsoft Translator (User can type response. Many languages. Translation) (iOS, Android, Windows)
- Otter.ai (iOS, Android) (limitations: English only, free for 600 minutes, conversations limited to 40 minutes)
- Big Note (iOS, Android) (Can use as speech to text or text to speech, large font sizes)
- Apple Notes - in the operating system (just press the microphone icon to speak, has large font option)

Typing Notes [search: note-taking apps]
- Big Note (iOS, Android)
- Cardzilla (iOS, Android) (iOS has large font option)
- Google Keep (iOS, Android)
- Sorenson Buzz Cards (iOS, Android)
- Apple Notes - in the operating system (has large font option)
- Make it Big (iOS) (has large font option)