

Infant Audiology Symposium: Establishing Guidelines for Care

SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

Thursday, July 30, 2009

- 4:00pm – 5:30pm **Registration** Newport Coast Ballroom Foyer
- 5:30pm – 7:30pm **Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder Overview**Newport Coast Ballroom
Yvonne S. Sininger, PhD, Professor, Head & Neck Surgery, University of California Los Angeles, Center for the Health Sciences
Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder will be reviewed. The audiologic signs and diagnostic criteria will be given as well as potential sites of lesion, genetic and other causes and management strategies.
- The Importance of Early Amplification on Auditory Communication Outcomes**Newport Coast Ballroom
Yvonne S. Sininger, PhD, Professor, Head & Neck Surgery, University of California Los Angeles, Center for the Health Sciences
The Importance of Early Amplification on Auditory Communication Outcomes discusses a prospective longitudinal study of children with hearing loss in which communication outcomes were measured over time and modeled to determine the influence of factors such as age at amplification and degree of hearing loss.
- 7:30pm – 9:00pm **Networking Session**Newport Coast Ballroom
Hallie Morrow, MD, MPH, Medical Consultant, California Newborn Hearing Screening Program, Children's Medical Services Branch, California Department of Health Care Services

Friday, July 31, 2009

- 7:00am – 8:00am **Registration and Continental Breakfast** Newport Coast Ballroom Foyer
- 8:00am – 9:00am **California Newborn Hearing Screening Program Overview**Newport Coast Ballroom
Jennifer Sherwood, MA, F-AAA, Audiology Consultant, California Newborn Hearing Screening Program, Children's Medical Services Branch, California Department of Health Care Services
Lisa Satterfield, MS, CCC-A, Audiology Consultant, California Newborn Hearing Screening Program, Children's Medical Services Branch, California Department of Health Care Services
The California Newborn Hearing Screening Program was established by statute in 1998 and expanded in 2008, and is the largest Early Hearing Detection and Intervention program in the country. This session will share the process of tracking infants, from birthing hospital through diagnosis and referral to Early Intervention Services. Updated Joint Committee on Infant Hearing (JCIH) recommendations for hearing screening will be outlined and related to the clinical practice of the pediatric audiologist. Finally, the benefits offered through California Children's Services will be briefly outlined.
- 9:00am – 10:15am **Current Joint Committee on Infant Hearing Recommendations (JCIH) for Infant Assessment and Follow-Up**Newport Coast Ballroom
Alison M. Grimes, AuD, Board Certified –American Board of Audiology, Clinical Manager, Audiology, UCLA Medical Center, Assistant Clinical Professor, Head and Neck Surgery, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA
As a result of newborn hearing screening, audiologists are routinely assessing hearing in infants in order to meet the 1-3-6 guidelines (screened by 1 month, audiologic diagnosis by 3 months, and enrollment in early intervention by 6 months). Accurate and timely evaluations require new knowledge, based on long-standing as well as new research and clinical practice guidelines, and application of best-practices in performing and interpreting these evaluations. While there is a role for behavioral assessment, it is imperative that audiologists have knowledge, skill and appropriate instrumentation (and access to sedation as needed) for the physiologic (acoustic immittance) and electrophysiologic assessment of infants. Drawing from current research and best-practice documents (Joint Committee on Infant Hearing, AAA and ASHA practice guidelines, and the CCS Assessment Guidelines), protocols and timelines for assessment will be discussed.

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Friday, July 31, 2009 (Continued)

- 10:15am – 10:30am **Break** Newport Coast Ballroom Foyer
- 10:15am – 12:00pm **Current JCIH Recommendations for Infant Assessment and Follow-Up (cont.)**Newport Coast Ballroom
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm **Lunch**Newport Coast Ballroom
Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Board: Current Practice Considerations
Annemarie Del Mugnaio, Executive Officer, Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board, California Department of Consumer Affairs
The presentation will focus on statutory and regulatory practice authority and controls and will address general scope of practice definitions and professional competency expectations. A variety of professional workforce scenarios will be examined from an enforcement perspective which will provide an opportunity for the attendees to engage in discussions about employment expectations and potential conflicts with professional liability.
- 1:00pm – 1:15pm **Break** Newport Coast Ballroom Foyer
- 1:15pm – 2:15pm **Cochlear Implant Criteria and Early Implantation**Newport Coast Ballroom
Margaret Winter, MS, CCC-A, Board Certified in Audiology, Coordinator of Clinical Services, Children's Auditory Research and Evaluation Center, House Ear Institute
Candidacy criteria and contraindications to cochlear implantation for children will be presented. Essential services, outcomes and expectations will be discussed.
- 2:15pm – 3:15pm **Jump Start Early Intervention**Newport Coast Ballroom
Nancy Grosz Sager, MA, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program Consultant, State Special Schools and Services Division, California Department of Education
The presentation will focus on explaining the regulatory requirements for referring infants who are deaf or hard of hearing to Early Start. The presentation will also cover the philosophical bases for Early Start for infants and toddlers who are deaf or hard of hearing and provide a brief synopsis of research on the factors that predict academic success for children who are deaf or hard of hearing.
- 3:15pm – 3:30pm **Break** Newport Coast Ballroom Foyer
- 3:30pm – 5:30pm **Revision of California Infant Audiology Assessment Guidelines**Newport Coast Ballroom
Jennifer Sherwood, MA, F-AAA, Audiology Consultant, California Newborn Hearing Screening Program, Children's Medical Services Branch, California Department of Health Care Services
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After a brief review of the current California Infant Audiology Assessment Guidelines this interactive session will compare current practice patterns to the JCIH 2007 Position Paper, as discussed in previous sessions. Groups will be facilitated to assess the California guidelines and make recommendations for revisions. Further discussion will include potential clinical practice changes and strategies for implementation. Providers will be encouraged to contribute their experiences and receive feedback from mentors within the audiology community.
- 5:30pm **Symposium Concludes**