

## **HCCC in Paediatric assessment**

### **Pre-requisite theoretical knowledge (13/02/07)**

1. Calibration of equipment and facilities used in paediatric assessment, e.g. soundfields, audiometers, tympanometers
2. Paediatric test facilities & equipment, to include daily calibration checks of calibration and room set up
3. Assessment and treatment planning to include the roles of other professionals
4. Clinical approaches, using clinical reasoning strategies, evidence based practice
5. Paediatric test techniques including;
  - a. Behavioural testing (Distraction testing, VRA (soundfield, insert earphone and bone conduction), Speech discrimination testing, Performance testing, Play audiometry)
  - b. Objective testing (Otoacoustic emissions, threshold auditory brainstem response testing, tympanometry, acoustic reflex testing)
6. Content of a full and relevant history
7. Awareness of communication strategies and appropriate language when working with parents and carers, and young children.
8. Best practice for 'breaking bad news' of hearing loss in infants and children to parents and / or carers
9. How to integrate relevant information to make an informed decision concerning the diagnosis and management of individual cases
10. Content and wording of reports on test results and recommendations suitable for the intended audience, to include a range of professionals and parents