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In this week's edition we bring you updates, opportunities, news, and information from across the field of audiology.

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If you have any information that you would like to be included in a future edition of Horizon, please contact <u>admin@baaudiology.org</u>. The next deadline for submissions is the **19 February 2020**.

BAA Board & Committee News:

- President's blog. Please click here to read Karen Shepherd's President Blog.
- **Tinnitus Training Modules**. At the start of the BTA Tinnitus Week, BAA launched a Tinnitus Training Module for professionals. The aim of the module is to deliver a basic introduction to tinnitus management for as many professionals as possible. BAA want to ensure that any patient who mentions tinnitus during any routine appointment is triaged effectively and offered appropriate onward referral or simple advice on management and self-help. Read more and access the Tinnitus Training here
- Open access Tinnitus Presentation. Also, during Tinnitus Week, the BAA gave access to
 one of the talking slide presentations from Conference 2019. *Managing severe depression
 in the tinnitus clinic*, provided 45 minutes of extremely useful presentations, information and
 discussion with Prof. David Baguley, Dr Derek Hoare and Dr Elizabeth Marks. Click here to
 view the presentations.
- Heads of Service Meeting. The date and venue are now confirmed for the BAA Heads of Service day. Please reserve the 26th March in your diary. Deputy CSO Angela Douglas has agreed to speak at the meeting to share news of the CSO strategy on the People Plan and careers/education in Healthcare Science. Please find more details <u>here</u>
- Free North West Regional Meeting on 1st April. An afternoon of training has been arranged at the University of Manchester on 1st April. This Regional Meeting will feature talks on the Ida Person-Centred Care approach and telehealth in the NHS. Lunch will be provided from 1pm. The regional meeting is free of charge, but please reserve your place to give us an idea for numbers for the lecture room and lunch! Thanks to Sivantos, who are kindly sponsoring lunch. Free tickets available <u>here</u>
- Still time to sign up and become a Cochlear Implant Champion? Thank you to all the audiologists who have already expressed an interest in becoming a Cochlear Implant Champion. It's not too late to join them. The BAA SQC and BCIG are looking for 'CI

champions' in all UK Audiology settings. A Cochlear Implant Champion's role will be to train and support colleagues in their team to identify and counsel patients about implants. Training will be provided annually at the BCIG conference, the next event will be held on March 11th, 2020. To register your interest and get more information please send your name and the name of your service to <u>admin@baaudiology.org</u> You can also find more information <u>here.</u>

Other News:

- New Vice Chair for BSA. The British Academy of Audiology would like to congratulate Donna Corrigan on being voted in as Vice Chair of the British Society of Audiology (BSA). In a statement on the BSA website, Donna said, "Thank you to all BSA members who voted in the run-up to Christmas. I am both grateful and excited to be moving from Chair of the PGG to the position of Vice Chair for the BSA. I look forward to supporting all the Special Interest Groups, Council and Chair in working collectively under the forthcoming, newly revised strategy for 2020."
- The Tinnitus Manifesto. Marking the launch of Tinnitus Week 2020 (3rd to 9th February), the BTA produced 'The Tinnitus Manifesto', which calls for: a dedicated research funding for Tinnitus; improved academic infrastructure for research; and a focus on key foundational knowledge work. The charity also had cross-party support from politicians joining the call for more funding for tinnitus research. Read more <u>here</u>.
- Staffs CCG. Six Clinical Commissioning Groups in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent are seeking views from patients across five service areas. One of those areas is Hearing Loss in Adults. BAA are working with its partners in the Hearing Loss and Deafness Alliance to respond to this work. BAA also committed, during the 20th Jan Board meeting, to send a response to the survey. Find out more <u>here</u>
- Up to £125,000 available for tinnitus research. The British Tinnitus Association has announced its largest ever research grant programme that offers up to £125,000 for research that best fits their agreed research priorities. More information including application info can be found <u>here.</u>
- World Hearing Day 2020. World Hearing Day is the largest global awareness campaign on ear and hearing care that calls for action to address hearing loss and is due to take place on 3rd March. The World Health Organisation (WHO) are encouraging audiologists and organisations to spread the word and raise the profile of ear and hearing care in people's mind, in the world's media and on the global health agenda. A toolkit of information, ideas and guidelines can be found <u>here.</u>

Upcoming Courses / Events:



 Save the Date: BAA Annual Conference 2020 is taking place on 26th-27th November 2020 at the Manchester Central Convention Complex.

Registration opens in May at <u>www.baaudiology.org/</u>

<u>Survey</u>

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