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

If you have any information that you would like to be included in a future edition of Horizon, please contact <a href="mailto:admin@baaudiology.org">admin@baaudiology.org</a>. The next deadline for submissions is the **18 March 2020**.

# **BAA Board & Committee News:**

**President's blog.** Please click <u>here</u> to read Karen Shepherd's President Blog.

This week's Horizon is focused on forthcoming BAA events – regional and national – why not book in for some of them, if you haven't done already! All places are provided free of charge.

**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 <a href="here">here</a>.

**You are invited to a Paediatric Focus Day**. The British Academy of Audiology and the Ida Institute invite you to a **Paediatric Focus Day** in Milton Keynes on **23rd September**. Places for this event are free and for BAA members only. Numbers are limited so please reserve your place as soon as possible. A final agenda is being drawn up and will be available soon. Book your place here.

**Save the date for some regional events.** Our Regional Representatives are busy booking events across the UK. Here are the dates and areas confirmed so far. Why not save a date and we will follow up with more information as soon as possible.

BAA Regional Meetings	Date	Venue	Theme
North West	1st April	Manchester University	Person-Centred Care and Telehealth in the NHS
London	29 <sup>th</sup> May	RNTNE, London	Verification vs validation (adult & paediatrics)
Yorkshire & Humber	11 <sup>th</sup> June	Sheffield University Medical School	Complex patients (adult & paediatrics)
Thames Valley	30 <sup>th</sup> June	Townlands Memorial Hospital, Henley	TBC
Wales Regional	June/July	Venue TBC	Professional Affairs
North West	1 <sup>St</sup> September	Starkey Laboratories, Stockport	TBC

**Healthcare Science Week.** The 2020 Healthcare Science week runs from 6th to 15th March as part of British Science Week. Many of you will be taking part in events and social media campaigns across the 9 days. We will be sharing your news and events throughout the week along with videos and news from the BAA and Healthcare Science associations. Keep an eye on your social media channel of choice and don't forget to tag us in what you are doing.

**World Hearing Day.** Last week saw the annual World Hearing Day organised by the World Health Organisation. You can still find the news we shared about the day on our website news pages and on social media channels. The World Report on Hearing is due soon and a summary can be found on our pages. Thank you to everyone that interacted with us on 3rd March.

# Other News:

**BIHIMA Quarterly Sales.** The British and Irish Hearing Instrument Manufacturers Association (BIHIMA) has released the Q4 2019 results of its members, providing insight into how the UK and Irish hearing care market ended last year.

The key finding is that private (non-NHS) units were very strong in Q4 with sales up 9.7% on the same period in 2018 and up 8.1% on Q3 2019. Over the whole of 2019, private units were up 6.9% on 2018.

Over Q4 2019, NHS units were essentially flat, although they were up 2.2% on Q3 2019. Over the whole of 2019, the NHS was up by 10.2%, although some of this growth was due to stockpiling in preparation for a possible hard Brexit with stock then held over into 2020. Read the full release here.

**CRIDE 2019 Report for England.** The Consortium for Research into Deaf Education (CRIDE) carried out its ninth annual survey on educational staffing and service provision for deaf children. It covers the 2018/19 academic year. This report sets out the results of the survey for England and is intended for heads of services, policymakers in local and central government and anyone with an interest in deaf education. A summary of the key findings are on the BAA website and the full report can be downloaded here

**BSA Consult on Aural Care Minimum Training Guidelines.** The British Society of Audiology's Professional Guidance Group has sent out for Public Consultation the *Aural Care Minimum Training Guidelines*. To view the document please click <a href="here">here</a>. The BSA ask that when you respond to the consultation that you use the appropriate form to report the areas of the document that require the authors' attention, and these should include making any suggested changes. To access this form please click <a href="here">here</a>. The deadline for this consultation is Monday 23rd March 2020 at 12 pm and all replies should be sent to <a href="mailto:bsa@thebsa.org">bsa@thebsa.org</a>.

# 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 www.baaudiology.org



## BSA Annual Conference 2020 Recommended Procedures: reviewing and implementing the evidence Wednesday 24th June 2020

Mercure Sheffield St Paul's Hotel

This event is FREE for BSA members and only £45 for non-members.

This year's annual conference will review the evidence and explore the implementation of some of the most recent guidance documents.

## Abstract deadline is Wednesday 15th April 2020.

For more information and to register visit <a href="https://www.thebsa.org.uk/events/event/bsa-annual-conference-2020/">https://www.thebsa.org.uk/events/event/bsa-annual-conference-2020/</a>

#### **Deaf Awareness: Online Training for Audiologists**

This BAA accredited UCL short course is designed for Audiologists to improve deaf awareness and approaches for communicating effectively with Deaf and hearing-impaired patients. It provides practical workplace strategies to help meet the Accessible Information Standard. Videos of patients' and Audiologists' real-life experiences convey information and enrich the learning experience. The 2-hour course is self-directed and online, so study at your own pace. **Special rate for BAA members:** £29 <a href="http://bit.ly/DCALDAA">http://bit.ly/DCALDAA</a> (To access this special rate please enter voucher code DAAUD10 at checkout)

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#### ANNE DAVIES AUDIOLOGY COURSES

'Hearing Aids: The Inside Track'

Tue 30 June - Thu 2 July 2020

Booking deadline: Tue 2 June 2020

VENUE: The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Alfreton, Derbyshire DE55 1AU

Residential course: Accommodation is available at £60 per night (en-suite) and £45 per night (non ensuite).

This course is a collaboration across manufacturers. It covers new developments in hearing aid technology, best practice in REM measurements, and management of individuals with non-routine / complex hearing loss.

Course information is on 'Anne Davies Audiology Courses' website: <a href="www.audiology-courses.co.uk">www.audiology-courses.co.uk</a>

To view in full on the BAA website please click HERE

The Ultimate ABR and Paediatric Fittings Course 1st-3rd June 2020 at Greenwich, London (UK)

This highly popular and successful paediatric course with cover infant ABR training (3-hour precourse webinar and then face-to-face training on 1st June) and paediatric hearing habilitation (2nd and 3rd June) with well-renowned national and international experts delivering the content. Apart from NHSP ABR training, we will cover the content on diagnostic OAE, VRA (including peer review), verification and validation of fittings of children with compromised hearing functions. Main speakers include Dr Marlene Bagatto, Dr Josephine Marriage, Jason Smalley, and Dr Jay Jindal. There is a provision for ongoing mentorship. Individual day/s are bookable. For more information, contact Ms Nicki Thompson at E: <a href="mailto:info@audiologyplanet.com">info@audiologyplanet.com</a>; P: 0330 2233 453, 07543664692; or visit <a href="www.audiologyplanet.com/education">www.audiologyplanet.com/education</a> for the full range of hearing and earwax removal related courses.

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**Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder: From Diagnosis to Management** 

Thursday 24th September 2020

Join us in Nottingham for a study day designed to cover all things ANSD

Cost: £50 per delegate

We'll be covering: What is ANSD? How do we diagnose it? How do we manage it? What are the outcomes like?

Programme available **HERE** 

Jason.smalley@nhs.net

Registration form <u>HERE</u>

For more details please contact <u>Jason.smalley@nhs.net</u>

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#### **Excellence in Hearing Care with Dr Harvey Abrams**

BSHAA 2020 Masterclass Friday 27 and Saturday 28 March Radisson Blu Hotel at London Stansted Airport

A new advanced CPD course from BSHAA led by Dr Harvey Abrams.

Delegates can attend for both days, and a limited number of one-day tickets are also available. Day one runs from 10am to 6pm, followed by an early-evening social event; day two runs from 9.30am to 4pm.

#### Course leader: Dr Harvey Abrams

In a distinguished career spanning over 40 years, Dr Abrams has played a leading role in clinical audiology and research. He teaches at several universities in the States and his insights into delivering the highest levels of care will be a valuable learning experience for delegates. Dr Abrams will be with us for both days, leading sessions, round-table discussions and breakout workshops.

Course outline

More details and online registration

www.bshaa.com/2020-bshaa-masterclass

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#### Job Adverts

### Sonova

Position: Business Development Manager (Advanced Bionics)

Company: Advanced Bionics Limited UK

Location: UK flexible

Salary: Competitive Salary & Benefits

Advanced Bionics is a global leader in developing the most advanced cochlear implant systems in the world. Acquired by <u>Sonova Holding AG</u> and working with <u>Phonak</u> since 2009, Advanced Bionics develops cutting-edge cochlear implant technology that restores hearing to those with severe-to-profound hearing loss.

**To apply**: If you have the relevant competencies required and want to join an exciting and engaging organization then please apply for this job opportunity with your CV and covering letter outlining your current salary and location to janet.homan@sonova.com

Deadline for applications is 31st March 2020. To view this advert in full click here

#### Interacoustics

We are currently looking for a new member to join our team in the Interacoustics Academy. Here we provide training and access to materials related to audiological/vestibular technologies and their applications. The position we are recruiting for will be particularly focused on vestibular diagnostics and experience in this area is essential.

#### Develop training material and educational technologies

You will spend around 50% of your time on the development of training material and educational technologies to support our dedicated audiological online learning environment. We are currently focusing on the development of e-learning, webinars as well quick guide videos and other media.

If you find this position interesting, we would love to hear from you. Please apply by uploading your CV and covering letter <a href="here">here</a> explaining why you are the ideal candidate for the role. The application deadline is 29th March. First round interviews will be held via skype and second round at our headquarters in Middelfart, Denmark. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact Niklas Boserup, Recruitment Specialist on +45 23201905.

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