



**COCHLEAR IMPLANT CHAMPION SCHEME**

**ROLE OF THE CHAMPION:**

To train, support and empower staff in your team to counsel patients/clients and their families about cochlear implants (CIs).

To ensure all eligible patients/clients and their families are offered informed-choice and shared-decision making, when considering a CI referral.

To audit, the quality and quantity, of CI referral counselling taking place in your service, and monitor referrals.

**TIME AND RESOURCES REQUIRED:**

The first CI Champions training day took place in March 2020 at BCIG Conference and training is provided annually. We welcome applicants for CI Champions at any point throughout the year. Online training and support will be offered pre- and post-workshops. One day of study leave will be required to attend. There will be a small fee for the annual training event and for travel and accommodation, if applicable. This will not be reimbursed. The champion role is important for audiologists working in a paediatric and adult setting, in the NHS and independent sector.

Once back in your department, the estimated time required to fulfil this role is approximately 1 hour per week. The time is needed to audit, plan training, gather resources and communicate with your team and the local implant centre. To carry out the audit you will need access to your patient management system and excel. You will require regular opportunities to discuss audit results and offer training and support to your team (at least 4 times per year). You will share resources with your team to develop their knowledge on implant candidacy and support high-quality implant referral counselling.

**PERSONAL QUALITIES:**

**You should be motivated and committed to the scheme – implementing change within a service requires determination and perseverance.** You should have good communication skills and be prepared to share information and guide/inform discussions about implants within your team.

**Please tell us briefly why do you want to become an implant champion in your service? (max 300 words).**

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**I AGREE TO DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- Dedicate at least 1 hour per week to this scheme.
- Monitor implant referrals in my service.
- Audit the quantity and quality of implant counselling in my service.
- Share audit results with my team at regular intervals.
- Build a relationship with my local implant service.
- Offer training and support to everyone my department.
- Attend the annual CI Champion training day and engage with the online training.

**Name of champion:**

**Name of service:**

**Address of service:**

**Contact email:**

**Contact phone:**

**BAA membership number:**

**Dietary requirements:**

**Communication requirements and/or educational needs:**

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**SIGNED BY CHAMPION:**

**DATE:**

**SIGNED BY LINE MANAGER:**

**DATE:**

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