

Welcome to this week's edition of BAA Horizon, bringing you updates, opportunities, news, and information from across the field of audiology.

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### BAA Board & Committee News:

- **BAA President Jagjit Sethi and the BAA Board are pleased to present the Annual report of The British Academy of Audiology to members** on the website, **follow the link** to download and view the report [http://www.baaudiology.org/files/6714/7637/1351/WEB\\_BAA\\_Annual\\_Report\\_2016.pdf](http://www.baaudiology.org/files/6714/7637/1351/WEB_BAA_Annual_Report_2016.pdf). Please take the time to read about the activities of the Board and the strategic plans for your organisation. Paper copies of the report will also be **available at BAA conference in November**. If you have **any questions** on the report please email them to [admin@baaudiology.org](mailto:admin@baaudiology.org)
- **All BAA Members** will recently have received voting papers for the BAA Board elections in the post. Your vote is important, please vote and return the papers by October 31st 2016 (which has been extended from 24th October).
- **BAA CEO Update** - BAA Board members conducted a second round of interviews for the CEO position on 10th October. The post will be offered to the successful candidate and subject to contract negotiations they should be **in post to meet members at BAA Conference in November**.
- **Important Notice to BAA members concerning CPD**  
**A new look CPD section on the website is coming your way.**  
From 14th November 2016 **BAA will no longer award points for CPD events**. BAA membership is not conditional on how many CPD points you acquire and does not and indeed has not audited CPD records for some time now.  
BAA will continue to support members to meet the regulatory requirements for CPD. RCCP, ACHS and HCPC all require CPD completion as part of registrant standards but the CPD required is a profile evidencing reflective practice not a collection of points.  
BAA will continue to promote courses, training and events that have been reviewed as relevant and of benefit to our members. **From 14th Nov 16** events advertised via BAA will not reference how many points have been awarded.  
The BAA website will host a new look CPD section which will provide guidance, ideas and examples on how to maintain a reflective CPD profile.  
We look forward to meeting you all on the BAA exhibition stand at this year's conference where CPD committee members will be on hand to explain more.  
**To view the new logo for course providers read this notice online here:**  
<http://www.baaudiology.org/indexphpnews/news-home/new-look-cpd-section-website-coming-your-way/>

### Other News:

- **Research funding in the UK - BAA would like to offer congratulations to** a number of hearing research units in the UK who were awarded funding from the government last month to continue their work and secured funding for new projects from the £861 million investment in NHS Research. Manchester Nottingham and UCL all received funding. **More details can be found here:**  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-816-million-investment-in-health-research>

- **New BSA Speech In Noise Test Protocol** - BSA are starting to look at a new Speech in Noise Testing Procedure. They are keen to hear what tests and protocols UK Clinicians are currently using. If you can help please contact Laura Turton BSA Operations Manager at: [laura@thebsa.org.uk](mailto:laura@thebsa.org.uk)
  - **RCCP Survey of Patient Detriment 2016** - RCCP has been working for statutory regulation since it was formed in 2001. In September 2014 RCCP conducted a survey of patient detriment in Clinical Physiology. RCCP would like to repeat the survey to see if the situation for patients has improved or not. If you are aware of any practitioners (RCCP registered or not) whose actions have caused problems in the workplace or risks to patient safety in the last 2 years, RCCP would like to receive brief details about the case and what the outcome was. RCCP have compiled a short survey on Survey Monkey **which can be accessed here:** <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8K5MS6H>  
All information will be collected anonymously and please be careful NOT to provide information which will identify the practitioner, patient or organisation where it happened.
  - **In Pursuit of Silence the film - The Premier of this new film is in London on 19th October.** It will then go on general release around the country over the coming months, with over 20 screenings nationwide in the Picturehouse chain on 1st November, with the film showing in other towns and cities both before and after that date- dates and locations are all available here along with **more information on the film:** <http://inpursuitofsilence.co.uk/screenings>.
  - **Music and Hearing Aids survey launched** - Leeds University, The Arts and Humanities Research Trust and Sheffield Teaching Hospitals conducting research into the music listening behaviour of people (aged 18 and over) with hearing loss and who wear hearing aids for a minimum of one hour a day. We anticipate that BAA members will have valuable links to potential participants and would be very grateful if you could pass this information on to them on our behalf. The link below gives you all the details you need for yourselves and your patients  
<http://www.baaudiology.org/indexphpnews/news-home/music-and-hearing-aid-research-survey-launch/>
  - **British Tinnitus Association News - Small Research Project Funding**  
BTA's Small Research Project stream is **now live and open for applications** up to £5,000. **Deadline for applications is 30 December 2016. More information via:** <http://tinnitus.org.uk/research-grants-1>
- BTA expands their resources for children with tinnitus** - The British Tinnitus Association (BTA) have launched further resources for children with tinnitus, building on their award winning series of information leaflets for young people. **More information at:** <http://www.tinnitus.org.uk/tinnitus-and-children-1>
- Easy read tinnitus leaflets** - BTA is pleased to announce the publication of the four BTA information leaflets in Easy Read format with the aid of a grant from Big Lottery Awards for All scheme. **Read more on the BAA website here:** <http://www.baaudiology.org/indexphpnews/news-home/british-tinnitus-association-launch-first-easy-read-materials-people-tinnitus/>

## Job Adverts:

- **Action on Hearing Loss - Audiology Specialist - London. To apply** for this role for the job description please visit: <http://www.baaudiology.org/careers/recruitment/#.WASraWczWM8>  
**For any questions** please do not hesitate to contact: Gemma Twitchen, Tel: 0208 869 8271  
**Closing Date: 24th October 2016.**
- **InHealth - Audiologist** - covering three sites in Southampton. **You can apply for this role**, see the full job description, and see other roles that we have available at <http://bit.ly/2dAFIAq> For any questions **please contact** Charlie Ciccone T: 01494 560118 | M: 07557 267315  
E: [charlene.ciccone@inhealthgroup.com](mailto:charlene.ciccone@inhealthgroup.com) | W: [www.inhealthgroup.com](http://www.inhealthgroup.com)
- **Phonak Regional Sales Manager South West - please apply directly** on our vacancies site by following the link below and attaching a copy of your CV. <http://www.sonova.com/uk/en-gb/job-search-uk>
- **East Sussex Healthcare – Eastbourne, Hastings - Adult Audiologist / Paediatric Audiologist / Audiologist (Dual role)**  
**Job Ref:** 374-SR1149-D For an informal discussion, **please call** Audiology on **01323 413783**. To

apply and gain further details of this post, go to:

[http://jobs.esht.nhs.uk/job/UK/East\\_Sussex/Eastbourne\\_Hastings/East\\_Sussex\\_Healthcare\\_NHS\\_Trust/Audiology/Audiology-v566917?ts=316](http://jobs.esht.nhs.uk/job/UK/East_Sussex/Eastbourne_Hastings/East_Sussex_Healthcare_NHS_Trust/Audiology/Audiology-v566917?ts=316) Closing date: 2 November 2016

- To advertise a job in future editions of Horizon please contact [advertising@baaudiology.org](mailto:advertising@baaudiology.org)

## Upcoming Courses / Events:

- **Conference Update** – can you believe we are less than 4 weeks away from conference in Glasgow? If you haven't registered your place yet there is still time! Visit [www.baaudiology.org/conference](http://www.baaudiology.org/conference) to view the programme, book your place, arrange accommodation and find out what's going on at this year's audiology conference!
- **BSA AUTUMN TWILIGHT SERIES MEETINGS - APD & Hidden Hearing Loss Uncovered: 'A riddle wrapped in mystery inside an enigma?'** Start: 24 November 2016 4:30 pm  
Venue: Room C3.30, Ellen Wilkinson Building, The University of Manchester  
For more information please visit: <http://www.thebsa.org.uk/events/event/bsa-autumn-twilight-series-meetings-apd-hidden-hearing-loss-uncovered-riddle-wrapped-mystery-inside-enigma/>
- **'Steering a True Course'** - Tue 7 - Thu 9 February 2017 - **NEW VENUE:** Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh. For further information please see here: <http://www.baaudiology.org/events/calendar/steering-true-course-2/?eID=712>  
Speakers include **Professor Adrian Davis, Will Brassington, Adam Beckman, Jonathan Parsons, Tony Corcoran, Christine DePlacido PhD, John Day, Dr John Fitzgerald and Ruth Thomsen.** The course was set up and run at South Tees Hospitals NHS FT from 2010 to 2015. The course is now collaboration between Anne Davies and Queen Margaret University.  
**Booking deadline: Tuesday 10 January 2017**
- **UKCoD Conference 2nd November 2016 Common Purpose:** working together on deafness and hearing loss. The conference will be a showcase and celebration of what we can achieve when we collaborate. **More details and booking available from:** [Here](#)
- **An Update & Refresher Course on: Hearing Aids - The Inside Track**  
Hearing Aid Technology, Current Hearing Aids on NHS Contract, Core Rehabilitation Principles.  
**Tuesday 20th - Thursday 22nd June 2017.**  
**NEW VENUE:** Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh  
For further details click here: <http://www.baaudiology.org/events/calendar/hearing-aids-inside-track1/?eID=696> **Booking deadline: Tuesday 23 May 2017.**
- **Steering a True Course - Leadership and Service Development in the Changing World of Audiology** - Tuesday 7th - Thursday 9th February 2017. **NEW VENUE:** Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh. For further details click here: <http://www.baaudiology.org/events/calendar/steering-true-course-2/?eID=712> **Booking deadline: Tuesday 10 January 2017.**
- **Rehabilitation for Adults with Acquired Hearing Loss Masterclass - December 7 – 9, 2016.** For further details please visit <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ear/study/cpd-courses/coursepages/aamc-raah/>
- For the above event information together with details of other Audiology events taking place please visit [www.baaudiology.org/events](http://www.baaudiology.org/events)

## Social Media Update:

- **Hearing Times** is an online blog that posts about hearing loss and deafness. The blog included an article on a blood test for hearing loss this month, access it: [here](#)
- **An article on the BAA Facebook group explains** a new project looking at a new phone solution for

people with hearing loss, and how your patients might get involved.

- **News on the** AuditBase User Group and Smart4Hearing systems is also posted on the Facebook Group.

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