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Welcome to the latest edition of Horizon your regular update of news, opportunities 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 admin@baaudiology.org. The next deadline for submissions is the **26th October 2017**.

BAA Board & Committee News:

- **President's blog.** President Michelle Booth has been blogging on her recent activities representing the BAA. Please follow the link below to get the latest news and views from Michelle in her blog: www.baaudiology.org/about/president/#.WZaN5PiGPcs

Other News:

- **The British Tinnitus Association - success at the BMA Patient Information Awards**
The British Tinnitus Association (BTA) had a very successful evening at the 2017 BMA Patient Information Awards, winning First Prize in the Information for Children category, and Runner Up in the Easy Read category.

Written by Nic Wray and illustrated by Kate Smith, with audiological input from Dr Veronica Kennedy, the winning children's information comprised a workbook for young people with tinnitus, enabling them to come up with a management plan for coping with tinnitus at home and at school.

The successful Easy Read leaflet, based on the BTA "Self help for tinnitus" leaflet written by Beth-Anne Culhane and produced in conjunction with specialists in Easy Read information Change People was described by the judges as "a carefully thought out work tool designed to change people's lives" **These leaflets are available free of charge from the BTA** and can be ordered by contacting them on 0114 250 9933 or info@tinnitus.org.uk

The full list of winners is available from <https://www.bma.org.uk/library/patient-information-awards/pia-winners>

- **Watch the Hype – All Ears Campaign | [#allears](https://twitter.com/allears)**
Alpine Hearing Protection and Watch The Hype are running a tinnitus prevention campaign within the UK clubbing scene. Together they will shed light on the risks involved with prolonged exposure to loud music and provide people with solutions to avoid irreversible damage.

They are partnering with 10 of the UK's most prominent electronic music venues to distribute Alpine PartyPlug earplugs to their patrons at a number of high-profile events. PartyPlug earplugs have special music filters with which you can still hear and enjoy the music. The earplugs will be available for purchase as part of the advance online ticket as well as during the nights. Watch The Hype and Alpine representatives will be within the venues to educate attendees about tinnitus and give advice about the benefits of wearing hearing protection.

This physical presence will be combined with an extensive online campaign consisting of a dedicated [#AllEars](https://www.allears.org) website and support from the British Tinnitus Association, artists and

industry professionals and other hearing loss charities.

www.all ears campaign.com

Twitter: [@AllEarsCampaign](https://twitter.com/AllEarsCampaign)

Instagram: [/all_ears_campaign](https://www.instagram.com/all_ears_campaign)

- **The Advancing Healthcare Awards 2018 - Writing a winning entry!**

The 2018 Advancing Healthcare Awards are now launched. These UK-wide awards, now in their twelfth year, are exclusively for allied health professionals, healthcare scientists and those who work alongside them in support roles. Isn't it about time you received the recognition you deserve?

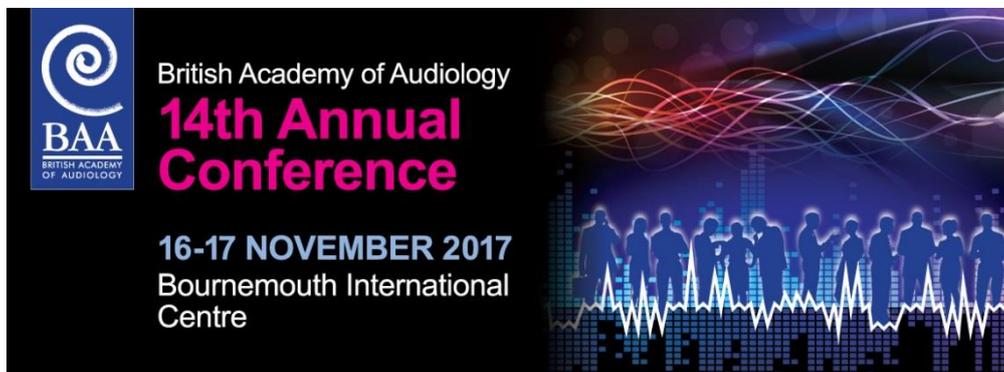
More details here: www.baaudiology.org/index.php/news/news-home/advancing-healthcare-awards-2018/

Before you start writing you should **read our [Guide to writing](#)** a winning entry carefully. At Chamberlain Dunn we have years of awards experience behind us and know what a winning entry looks like so we've put together this guide to give you some helpful hints.

Job Adverts:

- **To advertise a job in future editions of Horizon please contact advertising@baaudiology.org**
- **For more information** on the above job descriptions please visit www.baaudiology.org/careers

Upcoming Courses / Events:



- **BAA Annual Conference 2017** – if you are attending conference this year and will be in Bournemouth on the Tuesday, please come and say hello to our small team that will be taking to the streets of Bournemouth to talk to the public about all things Audiology. With the generous support of Starkey and their hearing van, we will be offering to screen people's hearing. This public engagement event worked really well in Glasgow last year and we expect the same in Bournemouth this November. **If you haven't registered your place yet, please visit www.baaudiology.org/conference**
- **Tinnitus Information Day aims to help Nottinghamshire sufferers**
The British Tinnitus Association will be holding the next in their series of **FREE Tinnitus Information Days in Nottingham**. Set to attract a large audience, the event will be held at the Hilton Hotel, Milton Street on **Saturday 11 November**.

The day will feature presentations from **renowned tinnitus experts Tony Kay and Dominic Bray** as well as the opportunity to sample taster sessions including mindfulness, tai chi and yoga which may help with managing tinnitus. We know that family and friends play a big part

in supporting tinnitus sufferers, so we are introducing a special session for them and would warmly encourage them to attend with their loved one.

As the UK's only charity solely dedicated to supporting people with tinnitus the programme aims to reduce stress, confusion, isolation, improve wellbeing and help people to cope with their condition.

Attendees will be able to come along and find out:

- Basic facts about tinnitus
- The impact of tinnitus
- Treatments available for tinnitus
- Stress management
- Relaxation
- Local tinnitus services

Thanks to funding from the National Lottery through the Big Lottery Fund, this event is free of charge to attend. Light refreshments and lunch will be provided free of charge.

Places are free but limited so must be reserved – visit <http://bit.ly/2gGmrIM> to secure your place.

Alternatively, please contact Emily Ducker on 0114 260 9933 or email emilyd@tinnitus.org.uk or visit www.tinnitus.org.uk

- **SCoD Connect & Collaborate Conference – Thursday, 8th March 2018**
Early Bird Registration open for the fourth annual conference, have you got your tickets yet? Don't delay, tickets selling fast and the Early Bird **offer finishes Friday 29 December 2017.**

To secure your tickets please see the Eventbrite page:
<https://scodconference2018.eventbrite.co.uk>

Market stall opportunity! Would you like to promote your business at the conference? Show your resources / equipment? Launch something new? Looking to increase your client base? We have a limited range of stalls available, please contact the conference team who will provide you with further information and costs.

Please feel free to forward this on to your members / colleagues who have an interest or remit in deafness (Deaf BSL users, Deafblind, Deafened and Hard of Hearing). With a great workshop programme and a fantastic market place you won't want to miss out.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with our conference team directly at: admin@scod.org.uk.

- **For the above event information** together with details of other Audiology events taking place please visit www.baaudiology.org/events

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