

Welcome to this week's edition of BAA Horizon, bringing 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 [admin@baaudiology.org](mailto:admin@baaudiology.org)

### News:

- **Launch of the National Commissioning Framework** - NHS England have sent out invitations to the launch of a new National Commissioning Framework for Hearing Loss Services. If any member has not got an invitation but would like to attend they should contact BAA Admin and BAA can request that an invitation is extended to you. The launch is by invitation only. The launch is on 19th July 2016 at 2 pm in Westminster. [admin@baaudiology.org](mailto:admin@baaudiology.org)
- **One voice campaign** - The Academy for Health Care Science (AHCS) has launched an initiative called "One voice". The purpose of this initiative is to secure sustainable funding for campaigns that address issues that are relevant across the neurophysiology professions. The levy for membership of this initiative is £1.50 per full member per annum. At the last Board meeting it was agreed that BAA should participate in this initiative in order that members may benefit from a collective voice in such matters.
- **Signature awards recognising excellence in communication with deaf people** - This year the Signature Annual Awards are recognising the educators. Help us to celebrate the pioneers and unsung heroes who are striving to break down the social and communication barriers between deaf, deafblind and hearing people through education and training. You can submit a maximum of two nominations and the awards are free to enter. **The deadline for all nominations is 4.00pm on 15 July 2016.**  
**To nominate visit:** [http://www.signatureannualawards.org.uk/sign-in?dm\\_i=1B8C,45GVQ,6KR92U,F3CTZ,1](http://www.signatureannualawards.org.uk/sign-in?dm_i=1B8C,45GVQ,6KR92U,F3CTZ,1)
- **UK Council on Deafness** - The Trustees are delighted to announce the election of Craig Crowley MBE as the new Chair of UKCoD. Craig is Chief Executive of Action Deafness, a Deaf-led national charitable company and is the former President of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (Deaflympics). More details at: <http://deafcouncil.org.uk/2016/05/20/chair-designate-ukcod/>
- **BBC Launch new iWonder guide on tinnitus** - The British Tinnitus Association (BTA) is delighted to announce the launch of the BBC iWonder guide on tinnitus 'How can I stop gigs and festivals ruining my hearing?' The guide is presented by DJ, Producer and Presenter Anne Savage who is also a Plug'em Ambassador. Anne has had tinnitus for the past 10 years and is passionate about raising awareness of tinnitus and the need to protect hearing. Follow and find out more via [@BBCiWonder](https://twitter.com/BBCiWonder) and [@Plug\\_em](https://twitter.com/Plug_em)
- **Professor David Baguley Appointed to Nottingham Research Role** - We are pleased to confirm that David Baguley has been appointed by the University of Nottingham to the post of Professor in Hearing Sciences/Deputy Director for the BRU. David is a Consultant Clinical Scientist and the current Head of Service for Audiology / Hearing Implants at Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. He is also a Visiting Professor at Anglia Ruskin University. David will be commencing his role with NBRU in the Autumn. [www.hearing.nihr.ac.uk](http://www.hearing.nihr.ac.uk)
- **SoundSpace Online Launched for people with Hearing Loss.** A new one-stop shop for all things

hearing-related has been launched online as a result of new research by audiologists at the NIHR Nottingham Hearing Biomedical Research Unit and The Ear Foundation. The website has eight main sections which offer an insight on hearing loss, hearing technologies and scientific medical advances before moving onto the implications of hearing loss on specific groups: special needs, early childhood, school years, higher education and adulthood. SoundSpace Online can be found at [www.earfoundation.org.uk/soundspaceonline](http://www.earfoundation.org.uk/soundspaceonline) and on Twitter [@earfoundresclin](https://twitter.com/earfoundresclin) #SoundSpaceOnline

- **Interested in research training?** The National Institute for Health Research has recently published a document 'Building a Research Career – a guide for aspiring clinical academics' for information on how to combine development as a researcher with a clinical career.  
<http://www.nihr.ac.uk/documents/faculty/Building-a-research-career-handbook.pdf>

**Further information** on research training awards for healthcare scientists can be found here:  
<http://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/nihr-hee-hcs-research-fellowship-programme.htm>

With the **next calls for applications for March 2017 found here:**  
<http://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/nihr-hee-ica-programme.htm>

Clinical Scholar Bronze and Silver (internship) awards application information for those in the **East Midlands (deadline 22nd July 2016) Bronze:** <http://mhred.lincoln.ac.uk/>  
**Silver:** <http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/clinicalscholar/index.aspx>

**For more information** on research training opportunities, please contact: Dr Melanie Ferguson ([melanie.ferguson@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:melanie.ferguson@nottingham.ac.uk)), NIHR Lead Audiology Advocate NIHR Nottingham Hearing Biomedical Research Unit t: 0115 823 2619 (direct)

## BAA Board/Committee updates:

- **Conference Update** – Every year we take the time to acknowledge and recognise our colleagues and teams who have excelled or shown exceptional commitment to the audiology profession by presenting awards at our annual ceremony. This year we have opened a brand new award category for the 'Supervisor of the Year'. This category is now open for nomination alongside the 'Team of the Year', 'Lisa Bayliss' and 'Audiologist of the Year in memory of Peggy Chalmers'. If you know someone who deserves to be nominated please visit [www.baaudiology.org/conference](http://www.baaudiology.org/conference) before the **closing date on Wednesday 31st August**.

## Events:

- **The Ear Foundation - Spend to Save: Increasing access to hearing technologies for adults - Wednesday 12 October 2016** - Central Hall, Westminster.  
This conference brings together the latest evidence to show that investing in hearing technologies, including cochlear implants, improves lives and saves money for the NHS.  
It will particularly explore candidacy for cochlear implantation and implications for all audiology services and the people they serve.  
This conference will bring together world leading authorities, providers, politicians and funders to develop and agree on agenda for change. Our latest report in our internationally acclaimed series, 'Spend to Save: Increasing access to cochlear implants for adults' will be launched at the conference with the support of leading politicians.  
**For further information please click:** <http://www.earfoundation.org.uk/education/articles/835>
- **27th September BAA Trent Regional Study Day 2016** - The theme of this study day is 'Understanding and Inspiring Leadership in Audiology'.
  - Do you know the difference between a manager and a leader?
  - Do you aspire to be a future leader?
  - Does change fill you with fear or is it second nature?

The aims of the day are to explore some of these questions and inspire all grades of Audiologists/

Audiology Assistants and newly qualified staff to make changes and actively seek out and take on leadership roles in their own departments.

For more information visit [www.baaudiology.org/events/calendar/baa-trent-regional-study-day](http://www.baaudiology.org/events/calendar/baa-trent-regional-study-day)

- 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)

## Job Adverts:

- **Interacoustics - Regional Sales Manager (Midlands/South West)** - Do you want to be part of something exciting and join a team that is making a difference and really going places? Then why not apply for this unique opportunity to join Interacoustics, the UK's fastest growing provider of audiology and balance equipment to the NHS?

**The Position** - As a Regional Sales Manager you will be responsible for generating sales leads and sales revenue in your area, predominantly from NHS Audiology and ENT departments, by influencing potential customers to purchase Interacoustics products. The territory will require daily travel throughout the E & W Midlands, the South West of England and South Wales. You must be able to demonstrate a genuine interest in a career in sales and a good understanding of the demands of a sales position. A comprehensive sales training programme will be provided, as well as full product training on all aspects of Interacoustics equipment.

**Responsibilities:** Generate sales leads and sales revenue in your area. Plan and prioritise daily sales territory activities. Maintain and develop existing and new customers. Train and educate customers on the Interacoustics range of products. Manage post-sale installation process, including pre-installation meetings, technical and product training and follow up support. Monitor and report on market and competitor activities. Attend and present at external customer meetings, exhibitions and industry seminars.

**Candidate Requirements:** Qualified Audiologist. At least 2 years' clinical experience in an NHS audiology department. Keen to learn new aspects of audiology. Excellent interpersonal skills – written and spoken. Self-motivated and able to work on own initiative. Full UK driving licence and flexibility to travel daily throughout the territory and occasionally UK-wide with overnight stays. Remuneration Year 1 On Target Earnings £40,000 (basic salary + commission). Company car – fully expensed for private use. Company pension scheme.

**Please apply in writing** by sending your CV, indicating current salary level, to Ben Colman, Sales Director - Interacoustics UK. Email: [beco@interacoustics.com](mailto:beco@interacoustics.com) / 07717 130396.

**Closing date for applications 30 July 2016.**

- **NHS Lothian - Associate Practitioner in Audiology** - Permanent 37.5hrs Per Week.  
Band 4 £19,902 - £22,683 Per Annum - Lauriston Building

An exciting opportunity has arisen for well-motivated Associate Practitioners to work providing Audiology Services within the Lothian region. The potholders will be based in Edinburgh but may have to participate in peripheral clinics throughout Lothian.

The department has a friendly team of committed Audiologists and Associate Practitioners with a wide range of responsibilities covering Audiological provision to adults throughout Lothian. The clinical services include as well as adult assessment and re-habilitation, ALD clinics, BAHA services, Hearing Therapy Services, Tinnitus clinics and Vestibular Assessment and Rehabilitation clinics.

The department would consider applications from students who expect to qualify this year as an Associate Practitioner.

NHS Lothian serves a population of approximately 800,000 people living in and around Edinburgh, Scotland's historic capital city. The geographical area known as Lothian region covers 700 square miles, comprising the City of Edinburgh, Midlothian, East Lothian and West Lothian.

It is a region of exceptional beauty and contrast, from the splendor of Edinburgh to the beauty and variety of the hills, countryside and coastline. The nearest major town outside of Edinburgh is

Livingston, a thriving location in the heart of West Lothian. As well as many sites of historic interest, the region boasts a host of recreational activities for all ages. Edinburgh has excellent transport links to the rest of the UK and beyond.

For any queries regarding the job, as the advert is rather generic and dry, please contact Allan Graham, Head of Audiology Services on 0131 5363740, EMail [Allan.Graham@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:Allan.Graham@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk). Apply on-line [www.jobs.scot.nhs.uk](http://www.jobs.scot.nhs.uk) REFERENCE NUMBER: OAS/003/AP/2016 - CLOSING DATE: 4th July 2016.

- **Kingston Hospital - Audiology Team Leader** - Kingston Hospital NHS Trust is looking for an advanced health care scientist (Band 7) to provide clinical leadership to our specialist Audiology team. We are proud to be one of the first specialist services to gain IQIPS accreditation under the full scope of adult, paediatric and complex services including:
  - Adult hearing services - assessment and rehabilitation
  - Complex adult services - assessment, rehabilitation, tinnitus and balance
  - Paediatric hearing services - assessment and rehabilitation

You will have in-depth specialist clinical knowledge and experience in Adult and Paediatric Audiology; and will be expected to undertake supervisory and management responsibilities for members of our team of specialist healthcare scientists. Experience in audiological assessment and management of all ages is essential.

You will play an integral role in ensuring high quality and effective service delivery and advancing the patient experience/clinical outcomes.

Continued professional development including participation in regional peer support group and networking activities will be fully supported. This is a full-time position with clinical commitments at Kingston Hospital, Queen Mary's Hospital and East Surrey Hospital.

You will have completed the MSc Audiology Degree or have equivalent knowledge/experience; and should be registered with the RCCP or be able to show that an application has been made.

To apply for this vacancy please visit the NHS Jobs website at [www.jobs.nhs.uk](http://www.jobs.nhs.uk) and quote job ref **396-7721-SSP**.

For further details/informal visits contact Justine Sweet, Head of Audiology ENT and Oral Services on 020 8934 2144, email: [justine.sweet@kingstonhospital.nhs.uk](mailto:justine.sweet@kingstonhospital.nhs.uk) or James Doran, Audiology Team Leader on 07715 808244, email: [James.Doran@nhs.net](mailto:James.Doran@nhs.net) or Kim Archary on 07823 402950, email: [Kim.Archary@nhs.uk](mailto:Kim.Archary@nhs.uk)

**Closing date: 27 June 2016.**

- **Anglia Ruskin University - Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Audiology** - Cambridge, Faculty of Science & Technology. Salary: £31,656 - £46,414 p.a. **Job Ref: 000457.**

Our vibrant, modern University is gaining prominence both nationally and internationally and we have ambitious plans for our future. Our main campuses in the cities of Cambridge, Chelmsford and Peterborough have been transformed with major capital investments. With an annual turnover of £200m and over 39,000 students, we are a major force for higher education in the East of England. The Department of Vision and Hearing Sciences is a leading provider of quality education in Optometry, Ophthalmic Dispensing and Hearing Aid Audiology in the UK and has been at the forefront in the development of innovative courses in these areas.

We're looking to appoint an Audiologist at Lecturer/Senior Lecturer level to the Department. You'll have the opportunity to support and lead in the development of our courses in Hearing Aid Dispensing and Audiology, and have opportunities to develop your research in the hearing sciences.

With a PhD or professional doctorate (or nearing completion), you'll have teaching experience in a higher education setting, or be able to demonstrate the potential to do so, and relevant professional experience in audiology. Professional qualifications or registration as an audiologist are required for this position. Specific expertise in teaching audiology is especially desirable.

You'll be expected to contribute to the broad range of the Department's teaching portfolio, however, the ability and desire to contribute to the Department's research and associated scholarly and consulting activities is also required.

Informal enquiries to Professor John Siderov, Head of Department at [john.siderov@anglia.ac.uk](mailto:john.siderov@anglia.ac.uk)  
For further information about the department please visit our website <http://www.anglia.ac.uk/vhs>  
**Closing Date - 17 July 2016.** It is expected that interviews will take place on 5 August 2016.  
**To apply for this role**, please visit our website:

[http://arujobs.anglia.ac.uk/fe/tpl\\_angliaruskin01.asp?newms=jj&id=67437](http://arujobs.anglia.ac.uk/fe/tpl_angliaruskin01.asp?newms=jj&id=67437) & We value diversity at Anglia Ruskin University and welcome applications from all sections of the community.

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