

On-Demand 2023 AG Bell Symposium: Recorded Sessions by Time Slot of AG Bell Symposium June 28-29, 2023

Lisa Hunter Ph.D., FAAA

Dr. Lisa Hunter is an audiologist by training, and a pediatric hearing researcher who collaborates with experts in speech-language development, psychology, neonatology, and neuroimaging. Her NIH-funded research investigates the effects of prematurity on hearing and development. She has a passion for addressing systemic effects of access to care and early intervention.

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9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session

Brittany Hall M.S., CCC-SLP, LSL Cert. AVT

Brittany Hall has served the pediatric population in various settings for more than 18 years. She is currently an Assistant Professor and Program Director for the undergraduate programs at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Speech therapist, Specialist in Childhood and Adolescence, Specialist in Listening and Spoken Language and Master in Rights and Policies for Children. Consultant of social projects for children and TAV Certified in private practice.

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Bruna Capalbo Youssef

Bruna Capalbo Youssef. Master Child Hearing in 2017 from PUC-SP, graduated in Speech Therapy from PUC-SP in 2014 and currently undergoing certification in AVT LSL by AGBell Academy.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

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Mariane Comerlatto

Mariane Perin da Silva Comerlatto. Adjunct Professor - Federal University of Sergipe - Department of SLP-Audiology. PhD in Sciences - University of São Paulo. Currently undergoing certification in AVT LSLS by AG Bell Academy.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Maria Emilia (Mila) Melo, SLP, Aud(C), LSLSCert.AVT®, works for Toronto Public Health, is co-founder of Sincronia AVT Study Centre, co-chair of the Global Matters Committee, and a member of the AGBell Association board of directors.

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Non-Financial: Volunteer board or committee membership - co-chair of the Global Matters Committee and board member of the AG Bell Association

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Chrissie Barcelona BSEd

Chrissie is an EI Teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing. She has been servicing the Early Intervention population for the past two years. Previous experience includes teaching preschool aged children who are deaf/hard of hearing.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Susan Schmitt M.A., CCC-SLP, LSLS Cert. AVEEd

Susan is a Speech-Language Pathologist and Listening and Spoken Language professional who has worked with children who are D/HH for 13 years and with the Early Intervention population for the past 4 years.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Bianka Wasserman, BS

Bianka Wasserman has a Bachelors of Science degree in Human Physiology from the University of Oregon. She pursued a career in holistic health as a Specialised Kinesiologist. She is now also a toy shop owner.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: founder/owner - olipop toyshop

Non-Financial: founder/owner - olipop toyshop

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Mary McGinnis Cand PhD, LSLC Cert AVT

Mary McGinnis, former Director of the John Tracy Center Graduate Program, is currently clinical faculty at the JTC Graduate Program, and consults with families and agencies around the world.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

María Fernanda Hinojosa Valencia PhD, LSLC Cert AVT

María Fernanda Hinojosa provides auditory-verbal services in Mexico as Director of Aurea Lab. She is a member of the A.G. Bell Board and the Ling Consortium, and collaborates with John Tracy Center on various projects.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Brianda Campero Calderón-Gutiérrez BSc, LSLS Cert AVT

Brianda Campero Calderón-Gutiérrez is an auditory-verbal therapist at Aurea Lab in Mexico City. She provides therapy and guides families from different Spanish-speaking countries mainly through telepractice under the supervision of María Fernanda Hinojosa

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Financial: Salaried employee

Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Tera Quigley, AuD, CCC-A

Tera Quigley is Associate Director of Medical Affairs and an audiologist. Tera worked as a research audiologist in academic labs before joining Decibel Therapeutics, where she has been for the past 5 years.

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Financial: Salaried employee - Decibel Therapeutics

Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Kuei-Ju Lin M.A, CCC-SLP/A, LSLS Cert. AVT

Lin have been woking at CHF for 14 years and have published several books, including "Portable communication skills: A teaching manual for children with hearing impairments" and "Family-Centered Early Intervention for Children with Hearing Impairments".

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee - Children's Hearing Foundation

Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Simone Zitta MS

I'm a speech language therapist graduated in Curitiba-Brazil - 1989
Masters in Science and master in AVT-AIU.
In the toward of certification in LSLS-AGBELL.
I currently work in a private clinic.

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Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Eliana Fredes LSLS Cert. TAV

Prof. of the deaf and Gda in Speech Therapy, Lda in Pedagogy and Master in Early Care and Family Educational Guidance, LSLS Certif. in TAV. Re/habilitation of children and adults with BP (TAV/Telepractice). CEO of Blog oirpensarhablar.com.

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Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session: Tips for Your Toolbox

Riley Gallagher M.S.

Florida State University graduate Riley Gallagher is currently a 4th year doctoral student at the University of Tennessee pursuing her Doctorate of Audiology degree. Riley will be beginning her residency this summer in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session

Maura Martindale Ed.D., LSLS Cert. AVEEd.

Maura Martindale has prepared hundreds of teachers of the deaf for schools and programs throughout the US. She was a teacher and Director of Educational Services at the John Tracy Clinic for 26 years.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Sylvia Rotfleisch LSLS Cert. AVT, MSc(A), CCC/A, BSc(OT

Sylvia Rotfleisch, trained at McGill University with Dr. Daniel Ling, worked at Montreal Oral School for the Deaf, House Ear Institute, and Echo Horizon School. She has taught at universities and is in private practice.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session

Virginia Madorin M.A., LSLS Cert. AVEEd

Virginia Madorin, M.A., LSLS Cert. AVEEd is an Education Consultant for Deaf and Hard of Hearing with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and Co-Director of the North Carolina DeafBlind Project.

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Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Lillian Henderson MSP, CCC-SLP, LSLS Cert AVT

Lillian Henderson, M.S.P., CCC-SLP, LSLS Cert AVT serves as the Speech Clinic Manager for the Children's Cochlear Implant Center at UNC and is a LSLS Certified Auditory Verbal Therapist.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

9:15-10:45 am Concurrent Session

Joan Hewitt Au.D., CCC-A, FAAA

With advanced degrees in both auditory-oral teaching of the deaf and audiology, Dr. Hewitt specializes in diagnosing and treating infants and children with hearing loss. She works in private practice and teaches at CalState-San Marcos.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee, Speaking fee, Honoraria - Salaried employee: Project TALK and CSUSM Speaking Fee / Honoraria: Advanced Bionics, Cochlear Corp, Auditory Insights

Non-Financial: None

Jane Madell Ph.D., CCC-A/SLP, LSL Cert AVT, FAAA

Dr. Madell is an audiologist, speech-language pathologist, and LSL AVT and former director: Hearing and Learning Center, NYEE-Beth Israel Medical Center. Her clinical and research interests are in management of hearing in infants and children,

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

11:00 am-12:00 pm Concurrent Session

Alexandria Mestres MAEd

Alex holds a degree in Education of the Hearing Impaired. She has worked as an administrator, trainer, and consultant. Alex is a DHH specialist for Charter Schools and the University of Miami Children's Hearing Program.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Consultant/Contractor fees - Academica Charter Schools, Charter Schools USA, University of Miami, AG Bell consultant for LEAP

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - AGBell Florida board member, AGBell Scholarship committee

11:00 am-12:00 pm Concurrent Session

Casey Reimer Ph.D.

Dr. Reimer is the Director of the Deaf Education Teacher Preparation Graduate Program at Washington University in St. Louis. She received her PhD and MSDE from Washington University in St. Louis.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

11:00 am-12:00 pm Concurrent Session

Lynn Miskiel M.A., CCC-SLP/A, LSLS Cert AVEd

Lynn Miskiel received her B.A. at the University of Colorado and her M.A. at the University of Illinois. She currently works at the University of Miami Debbie Institute as the Director of the Auditory-Oral Program.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - University of Miami

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Lynn Perry Ph.D.

Lynn Perry is an Associate Professor in the department of Psychology. She is an interdisciplinary developmental psychologist and has authored over 50 scientific publications. Her research is funded by NIDCD, NICHD, NSF, and Spencer Foundation.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Daniel Messinger Ph.D.

Daniel Messinger, is a professor in the departments of Psychology/Pediatrics. He is an interdisciplinary developmental psychologist and has authored over 120 publications. His research has been funded by the federal government for 20 years.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

11:00 am-12:00 pm Concurrent Session

Ellen A. Rhoades EdS, LSLS Cert AVT

Ellen A. Rhoades serves as global consultant/researcher and peer reviewer for varied professional journals; she founded a non-profit AV center, established 4 AV/LSL programs, co-edited/co-authored 4 books, and authored 100+ peer-reviewed papers and book chapters.

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Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Abdelrahman Ashour M.Sc., SLP, LSLS Cert AVT

Abdelrahman Ashour is speech-language pathologist at King Fahad Specialist Hospital in Dammam, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. His 2020 presentations at the ACIC conferences in Dubai focused on speech acoustics for children with cochlear implants.

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Non-Financial: None

Yara Harb B Sc (Honors) SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT

Yara Harb, since studying and working in Beirut, resides in Canada. Currently, her private practice includes early intervention tele-practice services for Arabic-speaking families and online teaching/mentoring for Lebanese colleagues interested in becoming

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

12:15-1:15 pm Concurrent Sessions

Meredith Berger MEd.

Meredith Berger, MEd. is the Director of Clarke School New York. She received Master's degrees in Deaf Education (1992) and Educational Leadership (2017) and is pursuing a doctorate at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: Volunteer, Advisory Board Member-Children's Hearing Institute's Medical and Educational Advisory Board; Advisory Board Member, NYS EHD

Elizabeth Rosenzweig PhD CCC-SLP LSLS Cert. AVT

Elizabeth Rosenzweig PhD CCC-SLP LSLS Cert. AVT is an Assistant Professor of Practice at Columbia University. She serves children and families worldwide via telepractice and mentors future LSLS professionals. Her website is www.AuditoryVerbalTherapy.net.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: Volunteer - AG Bell Academy Board, ACIA NY Chapter Champion, Advisor, Escuchar sin Límites

Valerie Lew MS CCC-SLP

Valerie Lew is a Senior Speech-Language Pathologist at UCLA Health, where she serves children with hearing loss and their families in English and Spanish.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) Medical Center

Non-Financial: None

12:15-1:15 pm Concurrent Session

Renee Lucero Ph.D., LSLS Cert. AVEEd

Renee is currently Chief Academic Officer at John Tracy Center, where she oversees the DHH graduate program in partnership with Mount St. Mary's University. Her career includes early intervention, classroom and itinerant teaching, and administration.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - Employee of John Tracy Center

Non-Financial: Personal experience with hearing difference

12:15-1:15 pm Concurrent Session

Alexandria Mestres MAEd

Alex Mestres holds a degree in Education of the Hearing Impaired. She has worked as an administrator, trainer, and consultant. Alex is a DHH specialist for Charter Schools and University of Miami Children's Hearing Program.

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Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - AGBell Florida board member, AGBell Scholarship committee

12:15-1:15 pm Concurrent Session

María Ruiz Montes MA, SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT

Speech therapist and psychologist, listening and spoken language specialist (LSLS Cert. AVT) with more than 10 years of experience working as an early care therapist with children with deafness and hearing loss and their families.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Carmen Abascal Sagredoq Psicóloga y logopeda

Psychologist and speech therapist specialized in deafness, director of AG Bell International with more than 30 years of experience caring for children with deafness and their families; He has published articles and teaches courses and conferences.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

1:30-2:30 pm Conversation Session

Dani Schlesinger BA SLP & Aud, LSLS Cert. AVT

Dani Schlesinger, SLP, Audiologist, LSLS Cert AVT; member of the Global Matters Committee, is Cochlear Implant Program Coordinator at Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital, South Africa where she has worked for the past 16 years.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Honoraria

Non-Financial: None

Maria Emilia (Mila) Melo Reg. CASLPO, S-LP, Aud(C), LSLS Cert. AVT

Maria Emilia (Mila) Melo, SLP, Aud(C), LSLS Cert.AVT®, works for Toronto Public Health, is co-founder of Sincronia AVT Study Centre, co-chair of the Global Matters Committee, and a member of the AGBell Association board of directors.

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Non-Financial: volunteer board or committee membership - co-chair of the Global Matters Committee and board member of the AG Bell Association

Beauty Hariz M.Sc SLP, LSLS Cert. AV

Beauty Hariz, PhD student at Copenhagen University, is a passionate SLP, LSLS Cert AVT, working for 14 years with children, families and adults who are DHH. She is currently the Rehabilitation Manager in Cochlear MEA.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - Volunteer in GCM in AG Bell

Son A Chang Ph.D., LSLS cert. AVT, K-SLP, K-AUD, CBT

Son A Chang, Korean LSLS Cert. Auditory-Verbal Therapist®, 1st-grade speech-language pathologist, audiologist, Ph.D. in aural rehabilitation, working as a managing director of Soree Rehabilitation Center, Soree Ear Clinic, Seoul, Korea.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: salaried employee ; honoraria - Soree Ear Clinic and Korean Audiologic Society

Non-Financial: None

Jane Madell PhD, CCC A/SLP, LSLS Cert AVT

Dr. Jane Madell is an audiologist, SLP, LSLS AVT with clinical and research interests in hearing in infants and children. She has a private practice providing consultation with families, school districts, speech and hearing programs.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

1:30-2:30 pm Conversation Session

Mariana Helbig M.A, LSLS Cert. AVEEd.

Senior Auditory Verbal Therapist Auditory Verbal UK. Therapist, mentor, trainer, and presenter. Member of AGBELL Certification, Diversity and Inclusion committees, and Board of Directors. Consultant for RehAB Latin-American, and co-founder of Escuchar sin Límites website.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - AGBell Certification committee, Diversion and Inclusion Committee, Board

Carol Flexer Ph.D., CCC-A, LSLS Cert. AVT

Carol Flexer, Ph.D., CCC-A, LSLS Cert. AVT is a Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Audiology, The University of Akron, an international lecturer in pediatric audiology, and an author of more than 155 publications including 17 books.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Karl White Ph.D.

Karl R. White, Ph.D., Director of the National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management, Emma Eccles Jones Endowed Chair in Early Childhood Education, Professor of Psychology Utah State University

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee - I am a faculty member at Utah State University which receives funding from local, state, and federal agencies to do research, training and technical assistance related to Early Hearing Detection and Intervention programs.

Non-Financial: None

Sara Doutre

Sara Doutre is mom to Daisy, a 12-year old middle school student, ballet dancer and hockey goalie who uses bilateral cochlear implants to listen and learn. Sara is also an experienced professional in special education policy and finance.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board Member, National CMV Foundation/MED-EL HearPeer Volunteer

1:30-2:30 pm Conversation Session

Ivette Cejas Ph.D.

Dr. Cejas is an Associate Professor at University of Miami. She is currently on the Board of Directors of AGBell and a member of ACIA. Ivette is the PI for the OPTION LSL-DR Project.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - AG Bell Board of Directors

Julie Swaim

Julie Swaim is the mom of 2 children, the oldest of whom lost his hearing from meningitis at 10 months old. Julie is the Parent Consultant for AG Bell.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Consultant/Contractor fees, AG Bell for Parent Support Programs

Non-Financial: None

2:45-3:45 pm Concurrent Session

Judy Sexton M.S., CED LSLs Cert AVEd

Judy Sexton M.S., CED, LSLs Cert AVEd, is the Head of Schools and Programs/Interim President at Clarke Schools for Hearing and Speech. Judy brings four decades of education and administrative experience to her role.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Royalty - coauthored a criterion referenced assessment for young children

Non-Financial: None

Cynthia Robinson M.Ed., CED, LSLs Cert. AVEd

Cynthia Robinson, M.Ed., CED, LSLs Cert. AVEd. is past Co-Director of Clarke, Jacksonville, and founder of We Hear Here. She has four decades of experience and presents nationally and internationally and published two assessments .

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Royalty - co-authored a criterion-referenced assessment tool for young children. n It is available on Teacher Tools Take-out.

Non-Financial: None

2:45-3:45 pm Concurrent Session

Michelle Graham MS, CED, LSLs Cert. AVEd.

Michelle is the Executive Director of SJI MO and iHear. She is an experienced LSLs with expertise in service provision for children with cross categorical diagnoses, early intervention family-centered sessions, teletherapy, and mentoring new teachers.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Lexi Newman MSDE, CED

Lexi is an early interventionist and iHear therapist at St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis, MO.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

2:45-3:45 pm Concurrent Session

Ulrika Löfkvist SLP, LSLS Cert AVEd

Dr Löfkvist works as associate professor at Uppsala university and has previously worked as SLP and LSLS Cert AVEd at a cochlear implant clinic in Stockholm.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board, Committee membership - AGBell Academy & AGBell Association

Sandra Nilsson MSc

Sandra Nilsson has a master in special needs education, and she has worked as a teacher of the deaf for many years within hearing habilitation. She is now working as supervisor for practitioners in preschools.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Carina Johansson Teacher of the deaf

Carina Johansson works as teacher of the deaf at a local hospital in Sweden. She has long clinical experience of working with families and children who are deaf or hard-of-hearing.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Ella Andreasson SLP

Ella Andreasson works as SLP with young children and families at a local hearing habilitation center in Region Uppsala. She has experience of using LENA as part of the follow-up procedure in her team.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Hanna Mared SLP, LSLS Cert AVT

Hanna Mared has worked as SLP and LSLS Cert AVT at the Karolinska university hospital for many years. She is also responsible for a one-year AVT education program for professionals in Stockholm.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

2:45-3:45 pm Concurrent Session

Christy Chadwick M.S.D.E., M.A. MFT

Christy is an advocate for children with hearing loss and their families. Her mission is to provide quality, evidence-based practices while incorporating healing arts modalities such as mindfulness and EFT-tapping.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: Volunteer - President of AG Bell Hawaii Chapter and volunteer on diversity committee

4:00-5:00 pm Keynote Presentation

Benjamin Hornsby Ph.D.

Ben Hornsby is an Associate Professor at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. His research focuses on hearing loss-related communication difficulties and their impact on quality of life in of adults and children with hearing loss. His current research examines relationships between hearing loss, mental effort, and fatigue.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee, Vanderbilt University Medical Center; Honorarium, AG Bell Symposium

Non-Financial: None

Hilary Davis Ph.D.

Hilary Davis is a pediatric and educational audiologist at the Vanderbilt Bill Wilkerson Center. She provides consultative educational audiology support to local school districts in the Nashville area. She has also partnered with researchers in the Listen

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Financial: Salaried employee at VUMC; honorarium received for keynote presentation

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - Past president of Educational Audiology Association (EAA)

5:15-6:00 pm Innovations in Hearing Session

Amy Donaldson AuD, CCC/A

Amy has extensive clinical experience as an audiologist and has provided clinical support and education to professionals. She currently supports clinics in transforming how patients connect with hearing care now and in the future.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee - Speaker is an Employee of Cochlear Americas

Non-Financial: None

James Roll B.A

James is a Marketing Specialist for the Cochlear Nucleus Product Marketing Team and supports the team to help bring exciting new products to market while supporting Cochlear's marketing efforts to professionals.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee - Employee of Cochlear Americas

Non-Financial: None

6:15-7:15 pm Conversations Session

Gayla Guignard M.A., CCC-A/SLP, LSL Cert. AVT

Gayla Guignard, M.A., CCC-A/SLP, LSL Cert. AVT has served as AG Bell's Chief Strategy & Programs Officer since September, 2015. Gayla has worked as a direct service provider, clinical audiology and speech-language pathology supervisor, State Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Coordinator, and as the inaugural director of Indiana's Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education (CDHHE). She has served in numerous leadership roles on national committees and work groups and has

presented on Listening and Spoken Language and related topics internationally. Gayla's current work is focused on bringing knowledge forward about listening and spoken language and related areas for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. She is deeply interested in systems that serve families and individuals and seeks to be involved in systems change as a way to realize potential and improve outcomes for all individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee, AG Bell

Non-Financial: None

6:15-7:15 pm Conversations Session

Trudy Smith MEd., LSLC Cert AVT

Trudy Smith is a member of the Family Centred Early Intervention International Executive Committee and on the writing team for the Consensus on FCEI Principles.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Amy Szarkowski Ph.D.

Dr. Szarkowski is a psychologist who brings vast experience working in clinical and educational settings with, an in support of, children who are deaf and/or who have disabilities, as well as their families. Her research interests as they pertain to children who are deaf include: exploring the role of pragmatics, understanding and supporting families raising deaf children, developing and implanting effective early intervention, and foster social and emotional functioning. Dr. Szarkowski is motivated by "fostering joy" and helping families and professionals to emphasize the joy in their respective journeys. She is affiliated with the Children's Center for Communication/Beverly School for the Deaf and University of Massachusetts Boston.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee, Children's Center for Communication/Beverly School for the Deaf & University of Massachusetts Boston; Speaking fee, Emerson College

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board: FL3 Center (Family Leadership in Language and Literacy) for Hands & Voices Headquarters; Advisory Board for New England Consortium for DeafBlind Projects. Review panel for National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research

Bianca Birdsey

Presenter Bio: Bianca Birdsey is a South African parent leader, Hearing Health Advocate and representative of the Global Coalition of Parents of Children who are deaf or hard of hearing. She's also a medical doctor and mother of three deaf daughters.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Date: Thursday, June 29, 2023

7:00-8:00 am Concurrent Session

Gayla Guignard M.A., CCC-A/SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT

Gayla Guignard, M.A., CCC-A/SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT has served as AG Bell's Chief Strategy & Programs Officer since September, 2015. Gayla has worked as a direct service provider, clinical audiology and speech-language pathology supervisor, State Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Coordinator, and as the inaugural director of Indiana's Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education (CDHHE). She has served in numerous leadership roles on national committees and work groups and has presented on Listening and Spoken Language and related topics internationally. Gayla's current work is focused on bringing knowledge forward about listening and spoken language and related areas for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. She is deeply interested in systems that serve families and individuals and seeks to be involved in systems change as a way to realize potential and improve outcomes for all individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

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Financial: Salaried employee, AG Bell

Non-Financial: None

7:00-8:00 am Concurrent Session

Ellen A. Rhoades Ed S, LSLS Cert AVT (PhD Cand in ECE/SpEd)

Ellen A. Rhoades serves as global consultant/lecturer and peer reviewer for varied professional journals; she founded a non-profit AV center, established 4 AV/LSL programs, co-edited/co-authored 4 books, and authored 100+ peer-reviewed papers and book chapters.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Rachel E. Glade Ph.D., CCC-SPL, LSLS Cert AVT

Rachel E. Glade, serving as Program Director, Communication Sciences & Disorders, University of Arkansas, has authored a textbook and many peer-reviewed publications while working with children/adults with hearing loss.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - Faculty at the University of Arkansas

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - Arkansas Hands and Voices, SIG 7 and SIG 9 Committees for ASHA

Nanette Nicholson Ph.D, CCC-A

Nannette Nicholson, audiologist and professor at Nova Southeastern University, serves on the Florida Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Advisory Board. She works with children and adults with hearing loss and has authored numerous peer-reviewed papers.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - Employee - Nova Southeastern University

Non-Financial: None

7:00-8:00 am Concurrent Session

Rosemary Gardner BA LSLS Cert. AVT

I have been a teacher of the deaf for 40 years. I live and work on the island of Ireland. I qualified as a LSLS Cert. AVT in March 2019 and I now work privately.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Leo De Raeve PhD

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Jenni Bester is a SLT who has been working at the Carel du Toit centre in Cape Town since 2009. She qualified as one of the first LSLs, cert. AVT's in South Africa in 2021

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Barbara Kellett B. Speech Pathology & Audiology. LSLScertAVT

Barbara Kellett is employed by the Cochlear Implant team affiliated to Stellenbosch University at Tygerberg Hospital, Cape Town.
She is one of the first therapists in South Africa to certify as a LSLScertAVT

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Sarah Lange BA Speech and Hearing Therapy

Sarah Lange is a dual qualified SLT and audiologist with a special interest in paediatric audiology. She has local and international experience in hospital, private practice and school settings.

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Paige Stringer, M.A., M.P.H.

Paige Stringer is Founder/Executive Director of the Global Foundation For Children With Hearing Loss. Serves on core advisory group at World Health Organization. Holds MPH Global Health degree from University of Washington.

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Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Orly Gross PsyD

Dr. Orly Gross received her Psy.D. in School-Community Psychology from Hofstra University in 2022. She is currently a school psychologist at a private school in Brooklyn, working with students in grades 1-3.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Danielle Lam CPSP, LSLS Cert..AVT

Danielle is a Certified Practising Speech Pathologist and Certified Listening and Spoken Language Specialist, an experienced mentor and clinician. Danielle joined The Shepherd Centre in 2007 and is leading the team in growth and development.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee - The Shepherd Centre

Non-Financial: None

Ingrid Steyns CCC-SLP, LSLS Cert.AVT

Ingrid has a Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology and is a Certified Listening and Spoken Language Specialist. She is an experienced mentor and leads the Learning and Innovation team at The Shepherd Centre.

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Financial: Salaried employee - Employee of The Shepherd Centre, Sydney Australia

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Jai-Pei Lin BS.Applied Psychology

Jai-Pei Lin is an experienced Audio-Verbal Practitioner at Children’s Hearing Foundation for ten years, with Bachelor's degree of Applied Psychology. She has been conducting transition support programs for several years.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

Chian Yow Kwek MSocSc

Chian Yow Kwek is a Audio-Verbal Practitioner at Children’s Hearing Foundation with Master’s degree in Social Science. She has been supporting to facilitate several programs for educational professionals to understand the needs of hearing-impaired children.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee - Children's Hearing Foundation

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Tera Quigley AuD

Tera Quigley is a research audiologist and Associate Director of Medical Affairs at Decibel Therapeutics where she has worked for the past 5 years.

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Financial: Salaried employee - Decibel Therapeutics

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Teresita Mansilla SLP. LSLS, Cert. AVT

SLP,LSLS Cert. AVT, Recert. from 2007 to 2023. Professor of Terapeutica Audiologica and visiting Professor of Master's Degree in Neuropsychology of Universidad Católica in Paraguay. Volunteer AV Therapist at John Tracy Center during three seasons.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: Grants- volunteer employment

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Joanna Mcadam BA, MSLP, LSLS Cert AVT, CPSP

Leads a team of listening and language professionals and is a clinical innovator in the areas of access to sound and executive function in children with hearing loss.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee

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8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Jennifer Trueblood M.S.D.E.

Jennifer Trueblood is a Deaf Educator at St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf in Indianapolis. She holds a B.S. in Speech and Hearing Science, and an M.S. in Deaf Education.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Yi-Jui Li M.S.

Yi-Jui Li is an assistant research fellow at Children's Hearing Foundation in Taiwan. His work focuses on the daily device use in children with hearing loss, and its relationship with hearing tactics and language development.

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Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Krista Rey MSDE CED LSLs Cert. AVeD

Krista is a teacher of the deaf and LSLs AVeD specialist serving school aged children in Oregon. She is passionate about self-advocacy, language, literacy, and auditory development for children who are deaf/hard of hearing.

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8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Aura Gordon MHA

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Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Ofelia E. González F. MA Linguistics

SLP with extensive work in clinical settings and university professor in Communication Disorders throughout Mexico for the last 18 years. Current PhD Student in Linguistics Program at UAQ. Current rehabilitation coordinator in an ONG program.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session: Poster + 5-Minute Podium

Guo Ying

My name is Guo Ying. I am from China and now live in Guangzhou. I work in Guangzhou Qicong School. Qi Cong in Chinese means for “developing listening” I am a Auditory Verbal teacher, majored in special education. I have been teaching Listening and spoken language for the hearing-impaired for 10 years since I graduated in 2012.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session

Maria Fernanda Hinojosa Valencia PhD, LSLS Cert AVT

Maria Fernanda Hinojosa provides auditory-verbal services in Mexico as Director of Aurea Lab. She is a member of the A.G. Bell Board and the Ling Consortium, and collaborates with John Tracy Center on various projects.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - I receive a salary for my work as an AVT at Aurea Lab in Mexico City

Non-Financial: None

Mary McGinnis Cand PhD, LSLS Cert AVT

Mary McGinnis, former Director of the John Tracy Center Graduate Program, is currently clinical faculty at the JTC Graduate Program, and consults with families and agencies around the world.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Brianda Campero Calderon Gutierrez BSc, LSLS Cert AVT

Brianda Campero Calderón-Gutiérrez is a LSL at Aurea Lab in Mexico City. She provides therapy and guides families from different Spanish-speaking countries mainly through tele-practice under the supervision of María Fernanda Hinojosa.

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Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session

Sarah Radlinski M.S., CCC-SLP, LSL Cert. AVT

Sarah Radlinski, M.S., CCC-SLP, LSL Cert. AVT is a bilingual speech-language pathologist at the Auditory-Verbal Center, Inc. in Atlanta, Georgia. Over the past 9 years, Sarah has served families from 12 different Spanish-speaking countries.

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Financial: Salaried Employee - Auditory-Verbal Center, Inc.

Non-Financial: None

8:15-9:45 am Concurrent Session

Barbara Hecht Ph.D.

Dr. Hecht has been a leader of LSL education programs--training parents, teachers, SLPs, pediatricians and other professionals for almost three decades. For the past 11 years, she served as Director of Clarke Schools, Boston.

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10:00-11:00 am Concurrent Session

Rena Cuevas Dias M.S., CCC-SLP

Renaee Cuevas Dias is a Speech-Language Pathologist working in Early Intervention in Colorado and second year Doctoral student. Renaee's clinical work has focused on children with hearing and vision differences in Early Intervention.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Conference Reimbursement - I will receive funding from the Early Childhood Intervention Doctoral Consortium to attend and present at this conference.

Non-Financial: None

10:00-11:00 am Concurrent Session

Jennifer Wallace M.S., CCC-SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT

Jennifer Wallace is a SLP and LSLS Cert. AVT. She currently works in the Stepping Stones program at Atlanta Speech School working with children who have speech/language and learning needs in a therapeutic classroom setting.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - Employee of Atlanta Speech School

Non-Financial: None

10:00-11:00 am Concurrent Session

Joan Hewitt Au.D., CCC-A, FAAA

With advanced degrees in both auditory-oral teaching of the deaf and audiology, Dr. Hewitt specializes in diagnosing and treating infants and children with hearing loss. She works in private practice and teaches at CalState-San Marcos.

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Non-Financial: None

10:00-11:00 am Concurrent Session

Gloria García del Solar LSLS Cert. AVT

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Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

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Non-Financial: None

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Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

Ignacia Martinez Valle Srta

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Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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11:15 am-12:15 pm Concurrent Session

Michelle Graham MS, CED, LSLS Cert. AVEEd.

Michelle is the Executive Director of SJI MO and iHear. She is an experienced LSLS with expertise in service provision for children with cross categorical diagnoses, early intervention family-centered sessions, teletherapy, and mentoring new teachers.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Brittany Scott MA

Brittany is an experienced listening and spoken language provider with years of experience in the classroom, working with children and their families.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

11:15 am-12:15 pm Concurrent Sessions

Lauren Munkondya M.Ed

Lauren Smith Munkondya earned her M.Ed from Utah State University. She teaches preschool at Southern Utah School for the Deaf. She has presented at EHDI and AG Bell. She is passionate about partnering with parents.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Kaytie Cook-Ward M.Ed

Kaytie Cook-Ward earned her M.Ed from the Utah State University LSL program. She is passionate about providing services to rural communities and working towards quality inclusion programming through the support of multidisciplinary teams.

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Non-Financial: None

Carol Flexer PhD, CCC-A, LSLS Cert. AVT

Carol Flexer, PhD, CCC-A, LSLS Cert. AVT, an international lecturer in pediatric and educational audiology and author of more than 155 publications including 17 books, is Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Audiology, The University of Akron.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

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Ritu Nakra, B.Sc (Hons) Physics, B.Ed (H.I.), LSLS Cert. AVT, is a parent of a child with hearing loss, a Director of Hear Me Speak, and founder of AVTAR mobile Application and Online Session portal.

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Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

11:15 am-12:15 pm Concurrent Session

Noel Kenely LSLS Cert. AVT

Noel Kenely is a senior LSLS Cert. AVT. He leads the London clinical team at AVUK and has a particular interest in deaf children with additional needs, and the use of telepractice.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

Sarah Hogan LSLS Cert AVT, DPhil.

Sarah Hogan is a senior Auditory Verbal therapist at Auditory Verbal UK. She delivers therapy to families, offers training in the AV approach to other professionals and coordinates the research efforts for Auditory Verbal UK.

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Amy Spicer BA Psychology, NPQICL

Amy Spicer has over 20 years' experience of working with families through early intervention. Amy is the Family Support Manager at AVUK and is passionate about family-centred intervention to enable the best outcomes for children.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

11:15 am-12:15 pm Concurrent Session

Rocío Daniela Concha Ortiz Doctora

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Presenter Speaker Disclosures

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

12:30-1:30 pm Conversations Session

Teri Ouellette MS Ed, LSLS Cert AVEEd

Teri recently retired as director of St. Joseph Institute Indianapolis. She has worked with children for over 40 years, is past president of the AG Bell Academy board, serves as adjunct faculty, and presents internationally

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Elizabeth Tyszkiewicz LSLS Cert. AVT

Elizabeth Tyszkiewicz, LSLS Cert. AVT, is an independent trainer and mentor in auditory-verbal therapy in the UK and numerous other countries. She previously spent over 25 years in children's cochlear implant programs, as well as in education and the volu

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Non-Financial: None

Hilda Furmanski Fga., LSLS Cert. AVT

She has been working with families of hearing-impaired children for 35 years and conducts training in Spanish-speaking countries. She is president of the Argentine Association of Audiology and author of the book Cochlear Implants in Children.

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Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

12:30-1:30 pm Conversations Session

Gayla Guignard M.A., CCC-A/SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT

Gayla Guignard, M.A., CCC-A/SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT has served as AG Bell's Chief Strategy & Programs Officer since September, 2015. Gayla has worked as a direct service provider, clinical audiology and speech-language pathology supervisor, State Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Coordinator, and as the inaugural director of Indiana's Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education (CDHHE). She has served in numerous leadership roles on national committees and work groups and has presented on Listening and Spoken Language and related topics internationally. Gayla's current work is focused on bringing knowledge forward about listening and spoken language and related areas for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. She is deeply interested in systems that serve families and individuals and seeks to be involved in systems change as a way to realize potential and improve outcomes for all individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

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Non-Financial: None

1:45-2:45 pm Keynote Presentation

Eliot Shearer MD, Ph.D.

Dr. Eliot Shearer is a pediatric otolaryngologist and member of the Cochlear Implant Program at Boston Children's Hospital (BCH), and is the Principal Investigator of the Translational Hearing Genomics Lab. His laboratory studies the genetics of hearing loss and other ear, nose, and throat disorders. He is internationally recognized for his work in developing a new genetic testing platform for the diagnosis of hearing loss and has written many research articles and several book chapters on the subject.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

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Non-Financial: None

3:00-4:00 pm Concurrent Session

Michelle Graham MS, CED, LSLS Cert. AVEEd.

Michelle is the Executive Director of SJI MO and iHear. She is an experienced LSLS with expertise in service provision for children with cross categorical diagnoses, early intervention family-centered sessions, teletherapy, and mentoring new teachers.

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Non-Financial: None

3:00-4:00 pm Concurrent Sessions

Malgorzata Zgoda PhD

Malgorzata Zgoda (PhD) Teacher of the Deaf, senior assistant at the at the Institute of Physiology and Pathology of Hearing in Warsaw, Poland, deputy head of the Rehabilitation Clinic.

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Elaine Smolen PhD, CED, LSLC Cert. AVEd

Elaine Smolen, PhD, CED, LSLC Cert. AVEd, is a Visiting Assistant Professor in Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education at Teachers College, Columbia University, where she prepares future educators and studies language and literacy development.

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Maria Hartman PhD

Maria Hartman, PhD, is the Director of the Program in the Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at Teachers College, Columbia University. She teaches courses in language/literacy development, assessment and methods.

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Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Thekra Alruwaili MA

Thekra Alruwaili, MA, is a doctoral student in the Program in the Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at Teachers College, Columbia University. Her research interests include multilingual language acquisition and assessment.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

Brynne Powell MED, MPH

Brynne Powell, MED, MPH, is a doctoral candidate in Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at Teachers College, Columbia University. Her research interests include the development of theory of mind and executive functioning.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

3:00-4:00 pm Concurrent Session

Inge Kaltenbrunn B.Sp&Audio, MCommunication Pathology, LSLS Cert. AVT

Inge Kaltenbrunn (B.Sp&Audio, MCommunication Pathology, LSLS Cert. AVT), Best Practice Lead, Early Intervention (Hearing) at NextSense in Australia, is involved in program development, mentoring, training and delivering cochlear implant habilitation and early intervention.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried Employee - NextSense

Non-Financial: None

3:00-4:00 pm Concurrent Session

Sylvia Rotfleisch LSLS Cert. AVT

Ms. Rotfleisch trained at McGill University with Dr. Ling, worked at the Montreal Oral School, House Ear Institute, and taught in graduate programs at USC, CLU. She published articles, chapters and recently co-authored a book.

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Non-Financial: None

Abdelrahman Ashour LSLS Cert AVT

Abdelrahman Ashour MSc SLP, LSLS Cert. AVT
Master degree at Jordan university 2008. working with children and adults with hearing loss and their families since 2014. Participated as speaker many of regional conferences

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: None

Non-Financial: None

4:15-5:45 pm Innovations in Hearing Sessions

Michelle Valero Ph.D.

Michelle Valero is Senior Director and Head of Early Preclinical Development at Akouos. She received her PhD in Neurobiology from UT San Antonio and trained as a postdoctoral fellow at Massachusetts Eye and Ear.

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Non-Financial: None

Brian Lin M.D.

Brian Lin is Director, Medical at Akouos. Brian completed medical school at Johns Hopkins, residency training in otolaryngology at Massachusetts Eye and Ear, and fellowship in neurotology / skull base surgery at Johns Hopkins.

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Laura Corcoran M.S., CCC-SLP, LSLC Cert. AVT

Laura Corcoran is a Speech-Language Pathologist and Auditory Verbal Therapist fluent in English, Spanish and ASL. As Consumer Engagement Manager with MED-EL, Laura provides education, support and outreach for cochlear implant candidates and recipients.

Presenter Speaker Disclosures:

Financial: Salaried employee - Salaried employee of MED-EL Corporation.

Non-Financial: Volunteer Board or Committee membership - Volunteer as Advisory Board Member for Foundation for Hearing and Speech Resources (Chicago, IL)

6:00-7:00 pm Keynote Presentation

Lisa R. Park Au.D., CCC-A

Dr. Lisa Park is an Associate Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of North Carolina and the Division Chief of The Children's Cochlear Implant Center. Her clinical research focuses on expanding cochlear implant indications for children and optimizing outcomes for non-traditional pediatric cochlear implant recipients.

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