



CI2018
EMERGING ISSUES



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Special Programs for Therapists and Educators

Join us at CI2018 DC for the year’s best US conference on cochlear implants, clinical care and related research with a focused program highlighting therapy and aftercare to maximize patient outcomes.

Abstracts are Open

Consider submitting your cochlear implant research and related care including therapy and educational topics. Abstracts for podium and poster presentation on clinical research activities are due October 17, 2017 at 5:00pm ET. To view guidelines and submit an abstract, visit: <http://ci2018dc.org/site/index.php/scientific-program/abstract-submission>

Emerging Issue: Parental Engagement in Pediatric CI Outcomes

Parents and the home routines they create play central roles in a child’s development. Research has identified specific ways in which caregivers can promote acquisition and growth in spoken language and literacy skills in children with hearing loss. This research also highlights the effectiveness of providing parents and caregivers with specific knowledge and strategies that can be woven into family life to support their child’s communication and literacy development.

To view the other three Emerging Issues and speaker details on Parental Engagement, visit: <http://ci2018dc.org/site/index.php/scientific-program>.

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Difficult Cases

A unique “Difficult Cases” segment will be offered for therapists and educators. A team of expert therapists and educators will present cases for the audience to discuss and explore together.

Tools and Resources for Therapeutic and Educational Settings

Wide-ranging therapy tools and resources exist that have been developed by individuals, organizations and CI companies. The problem is often not knowing how and when to use specific tools. Several ACI Alliance therapy experts will lead a panel discussion on research, specific tools and application. Participants will include therapy experts and developers of tools from the three cochlear implant companies.

Adult Rehabilitation

A child who receives a cochlear implant is assumed to need habilitation. Less attention is given to adult rehabilitation post CI. Yet consistent, structured professional support and home practice can positively impact adult outcomes. ACI Alliance Blog Coordinator and contributor Naama Tsach PhD, an experienced speech pathologist and audiologist, will offer a limited number of one-on-one consultations for conference attendees (advance sign-up). To view Naama’s blog, go to: <http://www.acialliance.org/page/ACIABlog>

The above educational programming is preliminary. We expect to add additional offerings focused on the needs of therapists and educators. We invite you to visit the **CI2018 website (www.ci2018dc.org)** for more information and updates regarding educational offerings, abstract submission, registration, venue, travel, and more. **Advance Registration is now open!**



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