



AUDIOLOGY CONFERENCE

Beyond the Ear: Factors Influencing Patient Outcomes

Guest Speaker: Michael Hoffman, PhD

Friday, September 26, 2025

Children's Hospital Colorado

2nd Floor Conference Center, Aurora, CO

Video Conferencing Available



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Beyond the Ear: Factors Influencing Patient Outcomes

Overview

This conference will explore factors beyond diagnostic test results that contribute to patient care and outcomes in audiology. Attendees will engage in discussions surrounding the psychological, cultural, and socioeconomic elements that impact patient success. Individual speakers will address how providers can improve hearing healthcare, and the panel discussions will highlight the importance of interprofessional collaboration in providing holistic care for individuals with hearing loss. This conference will serve as a platform to strengthen the collective effort to enhance patient-centered care.

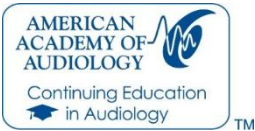
Objectives

Upon completion of this conference, participants will be able to:

- 1. Understand the broader factors influencing patient outcomes in audiology.
- 2. Promote strategies for enhancing hearing healthcare.
- 3. Foster collaboration among healthcare providers to improve holistic patient care.

Continuing Education Credit

Children’s Hospital Colorado is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) and the American Academy of Audiology (AAA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology.



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Intermediate Level
0.55 ASHA CEUs

This conference is pending approval for continuing education through the American Academy of Audiology (AAA) and the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA).

Children’s Hospital Colorado is approved by the American Academy of Audiology to offer Academy CEUs for this activity. The program is worth a maximum of 0.55 CEUs. Academy approval of this continuing education activity is based on course content only and does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products, or clinical procedure, or adherence of the event to the Academy’s Code of Ethics. Any views that are presented are those of the presenter/CE Provider and not necessarily of the American Academy of Audiology.

Participants are expected to be present for the entire program. Individuals who are not present for the full program will not be recommended for AAA or ASHA CEUs. No partial credit will be provided. Participants are also expected to complete and return a learning assessment based on course objectives provided at the end of the session.

Further Information

For additional information, please email the Committee at LanguageLearningASL@childrenscolorado.org, or call Chris Moores at 720-777-5470.

Registration Fees

Register by September 26, 2025

Professional	\$150
Students	\$ 50

Please register at ce.childrenscolorado.org/

Cancellation Policy

A refund, minus a \$25 processing fee will be granted if cancellation is requested by September 26th. No refunds will be granted after this date or for non-attendance, although you may send a substitute.

The Planning Committee reserves the right to modify the agenda content while keeping consistent the time and content requirements for ASHA/AAA CEUs.

Agenda

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8:15 AM	Welcome and Introduction
8:30 – 10:00 AM	<i>Deafness and Multicultural Diversity: Perspectives and Pathways</i> Michael Hoffman, PhD
10:00 – 10:15 AM	Morning Break
10:15 – 11:15 AM	<i>Diverse Representation in Audiology Clinics: A Call to Action</i> Cheerish Martin, B.A., B.S., C-AA and Logan Faust, AuD
11:15 – 12:00 PM	<i>Help for Hearing Device Users Clinic: A Family-Centered Developmental Model for Supporting Hearing Device Use</i> Debbie Mood, PhD and Emily Nightengale, AuD
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 – 2:00 PM	<i>DHH+ASD: Partnering to support differential diagnosis and developmentally informed intervention</i> Debbie Mood, PhD
2:00 – 2:30 PM	<i>Supporting DHH Children: Strategies for Psychosocial Screening</i> Michael Hoffman, PhD
2:30 – 2:45 PM	Afternoon Break
2:45 – 3:30 PM	Panel
3:30 PM	Adjourn

Presenters

Michael Hoffman, PhD

Michael Hoffman is a Pediatric Psychologist at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia within the Center for Childhood Communication and an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry in the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. He provides integrated psychological services with an emphasis patient-centered, collaborative care for deaf and hard of hearing children and their families. Dr. Hoffman serves on the cochlear implant team and provides outpatient consultation for cochlear impact candidates, and those who were recently implanted. He also helped to develop a tiered model of service to screen DHH patients and provide brief interventions for challenges related to deafness (deaf identity, adjustment to hearing loss/limited device usage, family stress related to hearing loss, academic/peer difficulties, and traditional psychiatric diagnoses such as anxiety, depression, and ADHD). Dr. Hoffman is deaf himself and utilizes one cochlear implant and one hearing aid. Disclosures. Dr. Hoffman received financial compensation via the honorarium for the conference and reimbursement for expenses. He has no non-financial relationships to disclose and does not intend to reference the off-label or investigative use of commercial products or devices.

Debbie Mood, PhD

Deborah Mood is a Gallaudet-trained licensed psychologist specializing in working with children who are deaf/hard of hearing and children with neurodevelopmental disabilities. Dr. Mood is an associate professor at University of Colorado Anschutz, School of Medicine, Department of Developmental Pediatrics where she serves as lead psychologist on the developmental behavioral pediatrics D/HH team, microtia team and cochlear implant team. Dr. Mood is passionate about supporting children who are D/HH with co-occurring developmental disabilities and is affiliated faculty with the JFK Partners/Developmental Pediatrics Leadership and Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) program. Disclosures – Dr. Mood has no financial or non-financial relationships to disclose and does not intend to reference the off-label or investigative use of commercial products or devices.

Emily Nightengale, AuD, PASC

Emily E. Nightengale joined the Bill Daniels Center for Children's Hearing at Children's Hospital Colorado in July 2010 as an audiologist specializing in pediatric diagnostic evaluations and management. Emily participates as an audiology team member on the Vestibular Team and as audiology lead for the Help for

Hearing Device Users Clinic. She actively works on quality improvement projects and publishing research. Dr. Nightengale received her Doctor of Audiology degree from Rush University in Chicago, Illinois in June 2008.

Disclosures – Dr. Nightengale has no financial or non-financial relationships to disclose and does not intend to reference the off-label or investigative use of commercial products or devices.

Logan Faust, AuD

Logan Faust has been a pediatric audiologist since 2019 and is currently employed at the Children's Hospital Colorado. Logan's personal life and educational pursuits have taught her how to mitigate conversations and incite change regarding aspects of marginalization within her community and work. She provides personal experiences coupled with researched ideologies to help provide perspectives and discussions about race and its explicit/implicit impact on our interactions as professionals amongst each other and with our patients.

Disclosures – Dr. Faust has no financial or non-financial relationships to disclose and does not intend to reference the off-label or investigative use of commercial products or devices.

Cheerish Martin, B.A., B.S., C-AA

Cheerish Martin has a rich background in the Audiology field. Her career has spanned roles from hearing aid dispensing, to work in private ENT clinics, audiology care with military service members, and is currently employed at the Children's Hospital Colorado. She was honored to present her research at the Annual Summit on Social Justice and Diversity, and she is currently the PRIDE champion at Children's Hospital Colorado. Cheerish's unique perspective is shaped by her background as a proud military BRAT (child of a service member)! Her experience has instilled a deep appreciation for diversity and desire to serve others. Cheerish has produced and co-produced several community events aimed at fostering healing, diversity, and equity. She has made it her mission to create safe and inclusive spaces for marginalized people.

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