



Here is what's new in our January 2019 Edition:

Layperson's Guide:

Communicating with People with Hearing Loss: Successful communication requires the efforts of all people involved in a conversation. Even when the person with hearing loss utilizes hearing aids and active listening strategies, it is crucial that others involved in the communication process consistently use good communication strategies. Please CLICK on this link to read more: [Layperson's Guide](#)

Guidance Articles:

"I'd Rather Bring it Out - Up Front - Let People Know It":

This is the 2nd video on this link: "Joe, John and Dana (USA 2010). Receiving hearing instruments or cochlear implants can have significant social and emotional consequences for an individual. One must be bold and out front with one's needs. This is a case where the audiologist learns from the patient who uses multiple tools to Live Well with Hearing Loss. Please CLICK on this link to read more: [Guidance Articles](#)

Current Research:

Hearing Loss Study At USC, Harvard Shows Hope For Millions: Age-related hearing loss is highly prevalent and often untreated. Use of hearing aids has been associated with improvements in communication and quality of life, but such treatment is unaffordable or inaccessible for many adults. The purpose of this review is to provide a practical guide for physicians who work with older adults who are experiencing hearing and communication difficulties. Specifically, we review direct-to-consumer amplification products that can be used to address hearing loss in adults. Helping adults with hearing loss navigate hearing loss

treatment options ranging from being professionally fitted with hearing aids to using direct-to-consumer amplification options is important for primary care clinicians to understand given our increasing understanding of the impact of hearing loss on cognitive, social, and physical functioning. Please CLICK on this link to read more: [Current Research](#)

Points Of View:

Some Say That The ADA Applies To The Internet And Some Say It Doesn't. What Do You Think?: Access on the internet is often a catch-as-catch-can. Sometimes it is there and sometimes it isn't. Some say that the ADA applies to the internet and some say it doesn't. Why doesn't the DOJ, FCC, or Congress do something? Please CLICK on this link to read more: [Points Of View](#)

My Story:

What is Person-Centered Care From the Patient's Perspective? – By Shari Eberts:

In order to help hearing professionals understand what a person-centered office is, Shari Ebert tells her story. Shari advises that it is important that professionals and ourselves do not get trapped in a hearing aid only approach. Linking aids to other assistive listening devices will give your clients [and us] greater access in a wider variety of situations.

Please CLICK on this link to read more: [My Story](#)

How It All Works!:

Make Your Audiologist Office Hearing Loss Friendly – By Shari Eberts: Sometimes we go into a Doctor's or an Audiologist office and we feel immediately at home, welcomed and secure. WHY? Shari Ebert advises hearing professionals on how to make their office friendlier. Does your audiologist follow these recommendations? Tell your hearing professional what you need. Please CLICK on the following link: [How It All Works!](#)

Advocacy Help:

Why You Should Partner With Your Patients (OR Why We Should Partner With Our Hearing Professional):

It is important that we advocate for ourselves. It is most important that we advocate with our hearing professional. *“Each person’s hearing loss journey is unique.”* It is our job to share our uniqueness with our hearing professional.

Please CLICK on the following link: [Advocacy Help](#)