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Chapter 23 • Using Telepractice to Improve Outcomes for Children Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing & Their Families

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Chapter 18 • Deaf Community Support for Families: The Best of Partnerships

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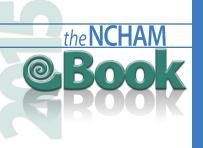
Dr. Benedict is a Gallaudet University Professor, President of the American Society for Deaf Children, and Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Infant Hearing (JCIH), focusing on family involvement with deaf and hard-of-hearing children, early communication/education, advocacy, and partnerships between deaf and hearing professionals. Dr. Benedict's work has appeared in many publications, and she is a nationally and internationally known presenter.



Chapter 21 • Components of the Moog Center Early Intervention Program

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Chapter 4 • Utilizing Public Health Partners: Opportunities for Integrating and Improving State EHDI Programs

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Chapter 32 • Building a Digital Home

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Chapter 8 • Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder

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Chapter 4 • Utilizing Public Health Partners: Opportunities for Integrating and Improving State EHDI Programs

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Chapter 18 • Deaf Community Support for Families: The Best of Partnerships Chapter 19 • Deaf Adults Connecting with Birth to 3 Families

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Jodee has been working as an Early Intervention Coordinator with the Outreach Services for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Children—Indiana School for the Deaf—for 6 years. In this role, Jodee oversees the early intervention services throughout the state of Indiana through direct services (Parent Advisor and Deaf Role Model), consultations, and trainings. A few years prior, Jodee worked as the Developmental Therapist with Indiana's Part C system (First Steps). Jodee is one of the SKI•HI Certified Parent Advisor Trainers. She serves on a variety of committees and boards relating to early intervention, deaf education, and deaf-blind children. Jodee is also a parent of four sons—one of whom is deaf-blind and three of whom are deaf.



Chapter 13 • Cochlear Implants

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Chapter 12 • Amplification & Hearing Assistive Devices (HAT)

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Chapter 28 • The Role of Educational Audiologists in the EHDI Process
Chapter 29 • The Foundational Role of Advocacy in the Early Intervention & Education Systems

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Chapter 17 • Family Support & Cultural Competence Chapter 29 • The Foundational Role of Advocacy in the Early Intervention & Education Systems

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Chapter 2 • Newborn Hearing Screening Chapter 16 • Audiologists Connecting Families to the EHDI Process Chapter 35 • Financing & Sustainability

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Chapter 30 • Early Childhood Hearing Screening: Not Just for Newborns Anymore

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Dr. Eiserman is Director of the Early Childhood Hearing Outreach (ECHO) Initiative at NCHAM. As Director, he has lead a national effort to assist Early, Migrant, and American Indian/ Alaska Native Head Start programs in updating their hearing screening and follow-up practices. Working in close collaboration with a team of pediatric audiologists and other EHDI experts, Dr. Eiserman has been responsible for the design of training systems, mechanisms for tracking and follow-up, and evaluation strategies associated with early and continuous hearing screening activities. The ECHO Initiative has also contributed to improvements in hearing screening practices in early intervention programs and healthcare settings using the resources and support provided by Dr. Eiserman and his project team. Aside from his nearly 10-year history working with EHDI efforts, Dr. Eiserman's career has focused on a variety of efforts to improve early intervention systems for children with special needs. Family involvement in assessment processes, the development cross-cultural competence in early intervention professionals, and, of special interest, meeting the psycho-social needs of children with craniofacial disfigurements and their families are all areas that Dr. Eiserman has focused on throughout his career. He has had extensive international and cross-cultural experience, including work in Ecuador, Vietnam, Costa Rica, Russia, and Indonesia. In 1989-90, Dr. Eiserman was a Fulbright Scholar to Indonesia, where he taught qualitative research and evaluation methods and assisted in the development of an organization providing medical care to children with craniofacial disfigurement—an area he remains committed to outside of his current professional activities.





Chapter 35 • Financing & Sustainability

Chapter 36 • EHDI Grantsmanship 101

Chapter 37 • Quality Assurance & Improvement

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Dr. Foust has implemented and directed newborn hearing screening programs in Utah and Idaho. He has provided audiology and rehabilitation services at a major children's hospital in Utah. Dr. Foust currently provides consultation services to the MCHB, HRSA Office of Performance Review (OPR), the Medicaid and Medicare Policy Research Center, and NCHAM. He is one of the National Technical Assistance Network audiologists for NCHAM and provides support to several state EHDI programs. He is also a consulting audiologist with the Hearing Head Start Program. Dr. Foust's international experience includes setting up the first hearing screening program in Accra (Ghana Africa) as well as consultation, instruction, and training in Costa Rica; to the Egyptian Ministry of Health in Cairo, Egypt; and most recently in India. Dr. Foust is a successful grant writer and has obtained significant amounts of federal and private funding. He is a senior executive with Intermountain Healthcare, which has been widely recognized as one of the top integrated healthcare systems nationally and internationally. Dr. Foust leads Intermountain's system-wide healthcare and community benefit initiatives and goals. Dr. Foust has received many professional honors, including the newly established Mary J. Webster Distinguished Service Award from the Utah Speech-Language-Hearing Association, recognition by Utah Business Magazine as the 2007 Healthcare Hero of the Year, and the 2006 Larry H. Mauldin Award for Excellence in Audiology Education.



Chapter 31 • EHDI Information Management

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Chapter 3 • Tracking, Reporting, & Follow-Up

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Chapter 18 • Deaf Community Support for Families: The Best of Partnerships

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Tawny Holmes is a staff attorney and Equal Justice Works Fellow at the National Association of the Deaf sponsored by Bingham McCutchen, LLP. Her work focuses on education advocacy for parents of deaf and hard-of-hearing children, which entitles training, direct IEP advocacy services, and development of resources. She has a background in family-centered early education and experience as a teacher/family educator at two different schools.





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Tami is a board member of the American Society for Deaf Children; the editor of ASDC's magazine, *The Endeavor*; and the Outreach Coordinator for the Deaf Bilingual Coalition. Tami is a long-time advocate of deaf children's educational rights. She and her husband have two adult children—one deaf and one hearing.



Chapter 39 • Making the World Accessible for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Children through Technology

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Jim House is an Accessibility Specialist, focusing on communications technologies and acquisition of critical information needed to preserve or improve quality of life. Some of his current activities are volunteering with the National Emergency Number Association on its nationwide implementation of Text-to-911 and promoting access to better telecommunications and information technologies in Portland, Oregon, and around the country. He is actively involved in several consumer/industry forums and coalitions covering access issues with captioning; emergency communications; and in mobile, text and video telecommunications. He moderates several FaceBook pages on captioning and accessible technology. As the former Director of Public Relations at Telecommunications for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Inc. (TDI), some of his far-reaching achievements include receiving the 2013 Robert H. Weitbrecht Telecommunication Access Award from TDI, witnessing the enactment of the 21st Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010 (CVAA), numerous presentations on consumer advocacy, television and Internet captioning issues, as well as writing successful grant proposals resulting in \$3M in federal funding to develop emergency preparedness training programs. Prior to TDI, Jim has been an advocate of various disability rights issues for more than 25 years on local and state levels.



Chapter 23 • Using Telepractice to Improve Outcomes for Children Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing & Their Families
Chapter 33 • Digital & Social Media: Using New Tools to Support the EHDI System

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Dr. Houston is a Professor in the School of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology at The University of Akron. His primary areas of research include parent engagement and communication outcomes in young children with hearing loss. He is also keenly interested in the use of social media, social networking, and telepractice to enhance service delivery to families. He is the author/editor of Telepractice in Speech-Language Pathology (2014, Plural Publishing) and a co-author/co-editor with Dr. Tamala S. Bradham of Assessing Listening and Spoken Language in Children with Hearing Loss (2015, Plural Publishing). An avid user of social media, you can contact Dr. Houston at Houston@uakron.edu, follow him on Twitter (@ktoddhouston), or connect him on LinkedIn or Facebook.



Chapter 20 • Secrets for Deaf and Hearing Sibling Success: Giving Them an Early Start for a Lifetime Together

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Lisa Jacobs graduated from Gallaudet University, majoring in English, and then received her MEd degree in Education from McDaniel College. Lisa has worked at Gallaudet University (GU) for about 25 years. Currently, she is the Director of Regional and National Outreach at Gallaudet University, http://www.gallaudet.edu/outreach_programs.html. Lisa is charged with oversight of six GU regions throughout the country. These centers bring GU and Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Center programs and faculty to the various regions of our country, as well as updated information and training to EHDI stakeholders to help build stronger bridges between the medical professional fields and deaf education and mental health fields.





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Sheila Jacobs graduated from JFK University and works as a licensed Marriage Family Therapist, specializing in Deaf and Hearing families, whom she calls "Double Pride Families." She is a Bicultural Identity, Family, and Community Empowerment expert and has worked, consulted, and trained for over 25 years throughout the country. She has designed three types of programs offered at Double Pride, LLC (http://doublepride.com/)—Double Pride @ Home, Double Pride @ School, and Double Pride @ Work—to design programs for various communities, schools, and workplaces. These programs help provide "Double Pride" success for families, students, and teachers/staff, as well as companies wanting to be more inclusive and successfully diverse. Instead of feeling in the middle of a tug of war between the deaf and hearing worlds, Double Pride's mission is to help families have the "best of both our worlds." Sheila has developed specific tools based on 25 years of specializing in working with these families in her counseling practice. She is a national consultant and trainer for those working with these families in schools and within the broader community.



Chapter 26 • Fostering Resilience in Children Living in Poverty: Effective Practices & Resources for EHDI Professionals

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Chapter 9 • Children Who Are Deaf/Hard of Hearing PLUS

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Chapter 28 • The Role of Educational Audiologists in the EHDI Process

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Chapter 14 • Helping Families Accept Technology

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Chapter 7 • Cytomegalovirus & Hearing Impairment Chapter 34 • Bringing It All Together

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Chapter 11 • Medical Home & EHDI: The Importance of Appropriate & Timely Screening, Diagnosis, Management, & Follow-Up

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Chapter 33 • Digital & Social Media: Using New Tools to Support the EHDI System

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Chapter 19 • Deaf Adults Connecting with Birth to 3 Families

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Chapter 5 • Assessment of the Young Pediatric Patient

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Chapter 30 • Early Childhood Hearing Screening: Not Just for Newborns Anymore

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Chapter 10 • Risk Monitoring for Delayed-Onset Hearing Loss

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Chapter 24 • The Role of Culturally-Appropriate Play in Child Development Chapter 25 • Closing the Gap When Working with Spanish-Speaking Populations Chapter 27 • Language Acquisition for the Bilingual Child: A Perspective on Raising Bilingual Children in the U.S.

Lucia Quiñonez Summer, MA

Lucia lives in Charlotte, NC, with her husband Thomas Hoyle. She is originally from Ecuador, South America. Lucia has a bachelor's degree in Psychology and a master's degree in Special Education. She holds a professional educator's license in B-K and is currently working toward her DHH license. Lucia was already a teacher of young children when she came to the U.S. from Ecuador. She has also worked in the field as a foreign language interpreter and translator. She currently works as Parent Infant Educator with North Carolina Early Intervention Program for Children Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. Her passion is to advocate for the rights of minorities and people with disabilities. Lucia created the Merry Christmas Project. This project delivers toys and nonperishable food items during the holidays to families who are enrolled in the Early Intervention Program for Children Who are Deaf or Hard or Hearing. Lucia has presented at two UNCC Annual Child and Family Development Conferences, the CDSA, the 62nd Conference on Exceptional Children, and at the 2012 Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Conference.



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Chapter 6 • The Etiologies of Childhood Hearing Impairment Chapter 7 • Cytomegalovirus & Hearing Impairment

N. Wendell Todd, MD, MPH

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- Genetic hearing screening and diagnosis facilitated by using a combined low-cost exon capture and large-scale sequencing approach.
- Cochlear implant mapping in children: Correlations of eCAP and eSRT with most comfortable loudness.





Chapter 18 • Deaf Community Support for Families: The Best of Partnerships

Jaclyn Vincent

Jaclyn worked with the California Department of Education as a writer for A Resource Guide for Parents of Infants and Toddlers Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. As a mother to a daughter who is a Deaf and a teacher for Deaf students, she has a unique twofold perspective to early intervention approaches and collaboration.



Chapter 26 • Fostering Resilience in Children Living in Poverty: Effective Practices & Resources for EHDI Professionals

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Jenna is a National Leadership Consortium in Sensory Disabilities Fellow pursuing PhD studies in Speech and Hearing Sciences in the program in Audiology and Communication Sciences at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, MO. Her background as a teacher of the deaf and early intervention provider has sparked diverse interests in such topics as the health disparity among children and families living in poverty, primary prevention of abuse and neglect for children with disabilities, and provider use of strategies and techniques implemented in family-centered practice. Currently, Jenna is investigating how research findings in cognitive psychology might be applied to the field of deaf education to improve the efficiency of learning and instruction of preservice teachers.



Chapter 1 • The Evolution of EHDI: From Concept to Standard of Care

Karl R. White, PhD

Dr. White is a Professor of Psychology at Utah State University and the founding Director of NCHAM. Dr. White has conducted numerous research projects and published extensively about the issues and evidence related to implementing and improving the efficacy of Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) programs. Projects currently underway at NCHAM are focused on developing more effective hearing screening and intervention programs through research, improving public health information systems, training and technical assistance, and information dissemination. More about NCHAM activities in these areas are available at www.infanthearing.org. Dr. White also has extensive experience with policy issues related to providing services to children with special healthcare needs. Prior to his work at NCHAM, he was the Director of Research and Development at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Director of Research and Evaluation at the Center for Persons with Disabilities, and Director of the Early Intervention Research Institute at Utah State University. From 1984 to 1985, he served as a Congressional Science Fellow with the American Association for the Advancement of Science and worked as a staff member for the Subcommittee on the Handicapped in the United States Senate, where he was responsible for the staff work related to the creation of the Commission on Education of the Deaf and the Education of the Deaf Act of 1986. He serves on many national and international advisory groups for organizations, such as the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, March of Dimes, the American College of Medical Genetics, and the American Academy of Pediatrics.



Chapter 24 • The Role of Culturally-Appropriate Play in Child Development

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Wendy has been working with deaf and hard-of-hearing children for nearly 20 years in North Carolina. She is a Deaf Educator, Nationally Board Certified Teacher, and Infant Toddler Family Specialist. She is currently finishing her doctoral dissertation through Western Carolina University, exploring the family experience of having a child with hearing loss and additional special needs. She is also the parent of five adult daughters—four are hearing and one is a profoundly deaf adult who was late identified before the advent of Universal Newborn Hearing Screening. Her professional interests center around early communication for children who are deaf or hard of hearing, advocacy, and parent support. She lives in the Asheville area with her partner. Her personal joys include playing with grandchildren, biking, walking in nature, reading science fiction, and poetry.





Chapter 9 • Children Who Are Deaf/Hard of Hearing PLUS

Susan Wiley, PhD

Susan Wiley is a Developmental Pediatrician and Professor at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center/University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in the Division of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics. With her background in developmental pediatrics and interest in children who are deaf or hard of hearing, her clinical and research interests merge these two interests in understanding and supporting children who are Deaf/HH Plus.



Chapter 2 • Newborn Hearing Screening Chapter 3 • Tracking, Reporting, & Follow-Up

Randi Winston, AuD, CCC-A

Dr. Winston has been serving as a consulting audiologist to the EAR Foundation of Arizona (EFAZ), the Arizona Department of Health Services, and Arizona's state EHDI program since 1998. She helped to establish hospital newborn hearing screening programs in all of Arizona's birthing hospitals and maintains her role in providing technical assistance, program quality, and program improvement to Arizona's state EHDI program. As part of her role, she has worked extensively with hearing screening equipment manufacturers to help improve the standard of care in newborn and early childhood hearing screening. She was the lead in the development of NCHAM's Newborn Hearing Screening Training Curriculum (NHSTC). In addition to her work with hospital-based screening, she has been involved in the program development and establishment of a number of state and national birth to 3 OAE screening efforts and has co-authored several research articles involving early childhood screening. Dr. Winston serves as a member of the NCHAM Technical Network and provides support to Arizona, California, Nevada, and Alaska. She also works with Special Olympics of Arizona and is the Director of the Healthy Athletes Hearing Program.

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Chapter 23 • Using Telepractice to Improve Outcomes for Children Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing & Their Families

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