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**15th Symposium on Cochlear Implants in Children (CI2017)
Takes Place July 26-29, 2017 in San Francisco, CA**

CHICAGO, IL: The 15th Symposium on Cochlear Implants in Children (CI2017) will be held July 26-29, 2017 in San Francisco, CA. The Symposium is the premier cochlear implant meeting in 2017 and will assemble a multi-specialty group of clinicians and scientists to explore current topics having the greatest impact on improving pediatric cochlear implant outcomes.

The CI2017 Pediatric Symposium is co-organized by the American Cochlear Implant Alliance (ACI Alliance), Stanford University School of Medicine, and University of California San Francisco. The Scientific Program Committee is co-chaired by Nikolas Blevins, MD, of Stanford University School of Medicine, and Charles Limb, MD, of University of California San Francisco.

The symposium will be organized around six themes with keynote speakers addressing these themes and podium talks providing further exploration of research and clinical insights.

CI2017 Pediatric Symposium Themes:

- **Music:** Improving perception and appreciation.
- **Technology:** Improving CI results in an increasingly interconnected world.
- **Cognition:** Improving our understanding of language development and central plasticity.
- **Outcomes:** Improving the use of metrics for success.
- **Indications:** Improving hearing in expanded populations.
- **Delivery:** Improving efficacy, availability, and efficiency in CI care.

The three-day symposium brings together over 1200 physicians, audiologists, speech pathologists, educators, hearing scientists, and members of industry. The meeting provides attendees with ample networking opportunities with colleagues and industry, including a Welcome Reception and Poster Viewing on Thursday, July 27. The meeting also includes opportunities for interaction with non-profit and for-profit companies in the field of hearing loss through a Technical Exhibition, which showcases technology beyond the cochlear implant, and through satellite symposia hosted by Platinum Exhibitors, cochlear implant manufacturers Advanced Bionics, MED-EL, and Cochlear Americas. Continuing Education credits (CME and CEU) will be available.

The ABA Cochlear Implant Specialty Certification (CISC) Exam will be offered on July 26, 2017. For further details visit <http://www.boardofaudiology.org/>.

Please visit the CI2017 Website at www.ci2017sf.org for additional details regarding registration, travel, housing, exhibits, and more. Abstract submission is now open and continues through January 12, 2017. For consideration, guidelines, and more information, visit the abstract submission area of the website.

The meeting venue is the Hilton San Francisco Union Square Hotel. Located in the heart of downtown San Francisco, this stylish hotel offers easy access to Nob Hill, Chinatown and fantastic shopping, dining and entertainment at Union Square. This historic three-tower hotel provides rooms with city views, Cityscape lounge on the 46th floor, complimentary fitness center and an outdoor pool.

The American Cochlear Implant Alliance is a not-for-profit membership organization created with the purpose of eliminating barriers to cochlear implantation by sponsoring research, driving heightened awareness and advocating for improved access to cochlear implants for patients of all ages across the US. To learn more about the American Cochlear Implant Alliance, visit the website www.acialliance.org and follow us on Twitter [@acialliance](https://twitter.com/acialliance).

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