Approaches to Auditory Rehabilitation for Adult Cochlear Implant Recipients
SIG 7

INTRODUCTION

These SIG 7 Perspectives articles focus on auditory rehabilitation (AR) for adults with cochlear implants. While the benefits of AR in the population are recognized in the literature, service-delivery models are variable, and there is no gold standard approach to developing and implementing a comprehensive AR program. Glade and colleagues provide an overview of clinical models currently being used for the provision of AR for adults with cochlear implants from nine clinics across the country. The article highlights the importance of interprofessional practice in AR and outlines the roles of professionals included on care teams. There is a discussion about barriers to successful implementation of AR programs, including distance to services, and recommendations for potential solutions, such as teletherapy. In the second article, Mosley describes the process of creating and implementing a comprehensive teleaudiology AR program for older adults who use cochlear implants at the University of South Alabama Speech & Hearing Center.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

You will be able to:

- list the components of comprehensive AR and the roles of audiologists and speech-language pathologists
- integrate insights from the literature review and information about the described AR program into their clinical practices

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Overview of Current Approaches to Aural Rehabilitation for Adults With Cochlear Implants by Rachel Glade, Erin Taylor, Deborah S. Culbertson, and Christin Ray

Designing and Implementing a Comprehensive Telehealth Aural Rehabilitation Program for Adult Cochlear Implant Recipients by Cornetta L. Mosley

PROGRAM HISTORY and IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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