

# Working Together to Improve Outcomes for Children in Kentucky

2025 KENTUCKY EARLY HEARING DETECTION AND INTERVENTION SUMMIT

# Friday, June 13, 2025 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET

University of Louisville Shelby Campus Founders Union Building 450 N. Whittington Parkway Louisville, KY 40222 Join us for an in-depth look at the latest guidelines, treatment strategies, and interventions in early hearing detection. Topics include best practices for identifying hearing loss in infants, legal requirements such as Bella's Law, current intervention and treatment options, risk factors like congenital cytomegalovirus (cCMV), and available resources throughout Kentucky.

# Summit Agenda

**8:30 a.m**. – Check-in, Breakfast (Provided), Visit with Exhibitors

9:00 AM - Welcome & Opening Remarks

**9:10 AM** – From Language Deprivation to Language Nutrition: Promoting Language Acquisition in a

Statewide Support System, DeConde Johnson

10:10 AM - Break, Visit with Exhibitors

10:20 AM - Concurrent Sessions:

Health Equity in Hearing Healthcare: Bridging the Gap in Rural Communities, *Bush* 

CMV and Connexin and Syndromes, Oh My -

Collaborative Management of Childhood Onset

Hearing Loss, Moats

11:20 AM - Break, Visit with Exhibitors

**11:30 AM** - Where Do We Go From Here? *DeConde* Johnson

12:30 PM - Lunch (Provided), Visit with Exhibitors

**1:30 PM** – Working Together to Improve Outcomes for KY's Children: The State of EHDI in KY, *Hendricks* &

Speaks

2:30 PM - Snack Break (Provided), Visit with Exhibitors

3:00 PM - Parent Panel: Spotlighting the Voices of

Parents of D/HH Children Roof, Fox, Nalley, & Wojcicki

4:00 PM- Closing Remarks and Adjournment

# **Learning Objectives**

- 1. Discuss the key elements of the Bella Dawn Streeval Law (Bella's Law).
- 2. Indicate the latest guidelines used to detect early hearing loss in infants.
- 3. Describe treatment options available for pediatric patients with hearing loss.
- 4. Identify resources available in Kentucky for patients with early hearing loss.

# Registration

\$30 - General Registration Fee

\$20 - Residents, Parents, Students and Retirees

\$0 - Norton Healthcare providers

\$0 - University of Louisville Healthcare providers

Registration fee scholarships are available.

Email lindsey.hendricks@ky.gov for details.

Registration deadline: June 9, 2025



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# **Audience**

This activity is targeted toward audiologists, primary care providers, otolaryngologists, midwives, speech-language pathologists, early intervention providers, hospital screening staff and parents.



# Featured Speakers



Cheryl DeConde Johnson, Ed.D., is an educational consultant and advocate for deaf and hard of hearing children through her practice, the ADE-vantage. With nearly 50 years of experience, she has served as an educational audiologist, program administrator, early intervention provider, and consultant with the Colorado Department of Education. Cheryl has taught at the University of Arizona and other institutions and co-authored The Educational Audiology Handbook and Educational Advocacy for Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing. She also co-edited Optimizing Outcomes for Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing and is a co-founder of Hands & Voices.

Disclosure

• Received stipend and compensation for travel and related costs from OCSHCN to present at Summit



Matthew L. Bush, MD, PhD, MBA, FACS, is Professor and Chair of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery at the University of Kentucky, where he holds the Endowed Chair in Rural Health Policy. He completed his medical degree at Marshall University, residency at the University of Kentucky, and fellowship training at The Ohio State University. He also earned a PhD in Clinical and Translational Science and an MBA from the University of Kentucky. His research focuses on health and healthcare equity.

Disclosure

- Works as a consultant for Cochlear Americas and MED-EL
- Received stipend paid by OCSHCN for presenting at Summit



**Shelley Moats, Au.D., PASC**, is a Board Certified Pediatric Audiologist with Norton Children's Medical Group and the only pediatric audiologist in Kentucky with this certification. With nearly 30 years of experience, she specializes in diagnosing and treating childhood hearing loss, including hearing aids and cochlear implants. She serves on multiple state and national committees and received the 2022 Marion Downs Pediatric Audiology Award from the American Academy of Audiology.

Disclosure

- Salaried employee of Norton Healthcare
- Member of EHDI Advisory Board
- Received stipend paid by OCSHCN for presenting at Summit

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#### **Speakers**

**Lindsey Hendricks, MSSW**, is the KY Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Health Program Administrator and State Coordinator. She has over 7 years of experience working in nonprofit and government organizations in both direct service and administrative roles. Lindsey has over 5 years of program management experience in grant-funded programs. Lindsey's professional interests include maternal and child health, mental health, health equity, domestic violence, and housing instability.

Disclosure

• Employed as the EHDI Health Program Administrator at OCSHCN

**Hannah Speaks, MSPH**, is a current PhD student in epidemiology and biostatistics at the University of Kentucky. She has been involved in hearing loss research since 2015, including noise induced hearing loss for musicians and in occupational settings. Her current research includes hearing loss as a part of aging and its relation to dementia and cognition.

#### Disclosure

 Contracted with KY EHDI program through CDC grant funds to provide data analysis and dissemination support

#### Parent Panel

#### Moderator

**Sarah Roof, BS**, is the executive director of Kentucky Hands & Voices (H&V). She holds a graduate certificate from Gallaudet University in supporting Deaf and Hard of Hearing (D/HH) infants and families. Sarah serves on Kentucky's EHDI Advisory Board and the National NCHAM Family Advisory Committee. She led the successful passage of Kentucky's CMV screening legislation in 2022 and is a recipient of the Seaver Vision Award (2021) and Dr. Deborah Haydon Leadership Award (2019). Sarah and her husband, Steve, have three children, including Isaac, who is deaf due to Pendred Syndrome. She is passionate about empowering families, connecting D/HH children, and strengthening early intervention services.

Disclosure

- Member of EHDI Advisory Board
- Serves as the H&V Direct Referral Coordinator for referrals from KY EHDI program to H&V
- KY Chapter of H&V is contracted with KY EHDI through HRSA grant to provide parent and family support activities
- Received stipend to speak at the EHDI Summit paid by OCSHCN
- Parent of a D/HH child

#### Panel Members

**Emily Nalley** is a Guide By Your Side for the Central Kentucky area with KY Hands & Voices (H&V). She and her husband live in Nicholasville with their two young daughters. Her oldest, diagnosed at birth with sensorineural hearing loss due to Pendred Syndrome, wears bilateral cochlear implants and recently completed her first year of preschool. Emily is passionate about supporting families on similar journeys.

Disclosure

- Employee of KY H&V
- Received a stipend to speak at the EHDI Summit paid by OCSHCN
- Parent of a D/HH child

**Antonia Wojcicki** is a parent of a child with hearing loss and is a member of the KY Chapter of Hands & Voices (H&V).

#### Disclosure

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**Rachel Fox, LPCC, CCM**, is a mother of four, one of whom has hearing loss, and is a member of the KY Chapter of Hands & Voices (H&V).

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# Continuing Education

Learners must complete the following to satisfactorily meet the requirements for session attendance:

- · Attend each session in its entirety
- Must complete each session's learning assessment for which credit will be claimed
- Submit program evaluation no later than 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, June 26, 2025

### American Medical Association (AMA) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits

Accreditation: This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of Norton Healthcare and the KY Dept. of Public Health, Office of Children with Special Health Care Needs. Norton Healthcare is accredited by the Kentucky Medical Association to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Designation: Norton Healthcare designates this live activity for a maximum of 5.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits<sup>TM</sup>. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

#### **American Board of Pediatrics ABP MOC Credits**

Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the activity, with individual assessments of the participant and feedback to the participant, enables the participant to earn 5.0 MOC points in the American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. It is the CME provider's responsibility to submit participant completion information to the ACCME for the purpose of granting ABP MOC credit. For questions related to continuing medical education, contact the Norton Healthcare Center for Continuing Medical Education at (502) 446–5955 or CME@nortonhealthcare.org.

#### American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

Norton Healthcare Institute for Education and Development is approved as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the South Carolina Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This continuing professional development activity has been approved 5.0 contact hours. In order for nursing participants to obtain credits, they must claim attendance by attesting to the number of hours in attendance. For more information related to nursing credits, contact Sally Sturgeon, DNP, R.N., SANE-A, AFN-BC, at (502) 446-5889 or sally.sturgeon@nortonhealthcare.org.

#### **Social Workers**

This activity will provide 5.0 hours of required continuing education units. National Association of Social Workers, Kentucky Chapter (NASW-KY) is an approved provider for social work credits through the Kentucky Board of Social Work. NASWKY #070124.

## American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

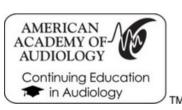
This course will be available for up to 0.5 ASHA CEUs.



Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs

Intermediate Level 0.5 ASHA CEUs

## American Academy of Audiology (AAA)



The Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs is approved by the American Academy of Audiology to offer Academy CEUs for this activity. The program is worth a maximum of 0.5 AAA 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.

#### **Confirmed attendance**

Confirmed attendance hours will be recorded for all other attendees. Hours of confirmed attendance will be equivalent to the number of hours of the attested attendance.

For more information related to confirmed attendance, contact the Norton Healthcare Center for Continuing Medical Education at <a href="mailto:cme@nortonhealthcare.org">cme@nortonhealthcare.org</a>.



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#### **Exhibitors**

- Advanced Bionics
- Cochlear Americas
- e3 Diagnostics
- Hands & Voices (H&V)
- Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (KCDHH)
- Kentucky Deaf-Blind Project
- Kentucky Early Interventions System (KEIS)

- Natus Medical Incorporated
- Oaktree Products
- Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs
- Ohio Valley Voices
- Phonak
- VIPS

## **SPECIAL THANKS TO...**

### The following meal exhibitors:

- · Breakfast:
  - Natus Medical Incorporated
  - e3 Diagnostics
- Lunch:
  - Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
  - Advanced Bionics
- Snack:
  - Cochlear Americas

The Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for providing complimentary ASL interpretation and live captioning services for this event.

## Complaints

If there are any concerns or issues prior to the course, please send an email to CME@nortonhealthcare.org. If concerns arise during the course, please notify a Norton or OCSHCN employee present at the event.

The Commonwealth complaint policy can be found at the Office of the Ombudsman website listed below. If you have any concerns or complaints following the course, please contact:

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OR

Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs
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Louisville, KY 40222
502-429-4430
OCSHCNWebPage@ky.gov
www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/ocshcn

## Cancellations

As a courtesy to the planners and catering, please submit cancellations before Monday, June 9, 2025.

The registration fee is refundable if cancelled by Friday, June 6, 2025. Norton Healthcare is not responsible for any other costs incurred by the participants. To cancel, send an email to <a href="Monortonhealthcare.org">CME@nortonhealthcare.org</a> or call 502-446-5955.

Should the providers cancel this conference, registration fees will be reimbursed in full. However, Norton Healthcare is not responsible for any other costs incurred by the participant.

# Special Needs/Accommodations

Norton Healthcare is committed to making this symposium accessible to all individuals. If you have a disability, provide a description of any auxiliary aids or services (identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act) needed at the time of registration. Advance notification of special needs and/or dietary restrictions helps us provide accommodations. Send requests to CME@nortonhealthcare.org. Requests should be submitted by May 30, 2025.