The Board of Directors and the Convention Committee of the Georgia Academy of Audiology welcome you to the 12th annual convention of the academy. We are excited to be back at the state-of-the-art Georgia Tech Global Learning Center which is conveniently located in Midtown Atlanta (less than 0.4 miles off I-75/85). Exhibitors will be located directly outside of the meeting rooms, so take time to visit their tables and learn more about the products that they have to offer. We are immensely grateful to our generous exhibitors and sponsors without whom this convention would not be possible.

The convention site is located in a bustling, pedestrian friendly, area that provides access to numerous restaurants, shops, and MARTA. Attractions such as the Alliance Theatre, the Atlanta Botanical Gardens, Atlantic Station, the Center for Puppetry Arts, the Fox Theatre, the High Museum of Art, the Margaret Mitchell House, the Museum of Design Atlanta, Piedmont Park, and SCAD-Atlanta are a short walk, drive, or MARTA ride away. MARTA access also provides a short train ride to Downtown Atlanta attractions such as the Georgia Aquarium, the World of Coke, and CNN Center.

We are excited to continue offering high quality educational opportunities through internationally and nationally renowned speakers. Our spectacular presenters represent a diverse array of topics and interests. In addition to fantastic educational offerings, we will continue other convention traditions including the PAC Silent Auction and cocktail hour as well as the annual Trivia Bowl. We hope that everyone will stay for these fun events that enable us to fund our PAC and allow members to relax and socialize with one another, enjoying the camaraderie that a state convention brings.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Welcome back to Atlanta!
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2014**

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM  | REGISTRATION / BREAKFAST / EXHIBITS OPEN
8:00 AM – 8:15 AM  | WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
8:15 AM – 9:45 AM  | CONCURRENT PRESENTATIONS

**ROOM 222**

Speech Understanding in Older Adults: Causes and Treatment Approaches
Donald J. Schum, Ph.D.  (ABA TIER 1*, Session A)
Sponsored by Oticon

Vestibular and Balance Assessment in Older Adults
Patricia Gaffney, Au.D.  (ABA TIER 1*, Session A)

**ROOM 233**

9:45 AM – 10:15 AM  | BREAK / EXHIBITS OPEN
10:15 AM – 11:45 AM  | CONCURRENT PRESENTATIONS

**ROOM 222**

Speech Understanding in Older Adults: Causes and Treatment Approaches
Donald J. Schum, Ph.D.  (ABA TIER 1*, Session B)
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Vestibular and Balance Assessment in Older Adults
Patricia Gaffney, Au.D.  (ABA TIER 1*, Session B)

11:15 AM – 12:45 PM  | TECHNOLOGY UPDATE
12:45 PM – 2:15 PM  | LUNCH / ANNUAL MEETING
Lunch is included in the cost of the convention and will be served in room 222.

2:15 PM – 3:45 PM  | CONCURRENT PRESENTATIONS

**ROOM 222**

This New Hearing Aid Tech is Great...But Why Are My Patient Outcomes So Variable?
Jason Galster, Ph.D.  (ABA TIER 1*, Session A)
Sponsored by Starkey

Audiologic Reporting and Documentation: How Well Are We Communicating?
Virginia Ramachandran, Au.D., Ph.D.

**ROOM 233**

3:45 PM – 4:00 PM  | BREAK / EXHIBITS OPEN
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM  | CONCURRENT PRESENTATIONS

**ROOM 222**

This New Hearing Aid Tech is Great...But Why Are My Patient Outcomes So Variable?
Jason Galster, Ph.D.  (ABA TIER 1*, Session B)
Sponsored by Starkey

Development of a Therapeutic to Protect the Inner Ear: From Animal Models to Human Trials
Colleen Le Prell, Ph.D.

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM  | COCKTAIL RECEPTION / SILENT AUCTION
Complimentary hors d’oeuvres and beverages provided.
All proceeds from the silent auction and raffle will be donated to the PAC.

6:30 PM – 7:30 PM  | TRIVIA BOWL
For those interested in going out afterwards, please meet in the hotel lobby following the trivia bowl.

*In order to receive ABA Tier I credit, participants must attend both sessions.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2014**

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM  | REGISTRATION / BREAKFAST / EXHIBITS OPEN
8:00 AM – 8:15 AM  | WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
8:15 AM – 9:45 AM  | CONCURRENT PRESENTATIONS

**ROOM 222**

Forgotten Acoustics – The Lost Acoustics of Hearing Aids
Marshall Chasin, Au.D.
Sponsored by Unitron

Current Guidelines and Evidence Based Treatment of Otitis Media: 2014
Melissa Statham, M.D.

9:45 AM – 10:15 AM  | BREAK / EXHIBITS OPEN
10:15 AM – 11:15 AM  | CONCURRENT PRESENTATIONS

**ROOM 222**

Music and Hearing Aids – It’s Not All About the Software
Marshall Chasin, Au.D.
Sponsored by Unitron

Dual Sensory Impairment: An Audiological Perspective
Judith T. Blumsack, Ph.D.

11:15 AM – 12:15 PM  | TECHNOLOGY UPDATE
12:15 PM – 1:15 PM  | LUNCH
Lunch is included in the cost of the convention and will be served in room 222.

1:15 PM – 2:45 PM  | PRESENTATION

Understanding the Speech Understanding Problems of Older Adults
Larry E. Humes, Ph.D.

2:45 PM – 3:00 PM  | BREAK

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM  | PRESENTATION

Hearing Aid Outcomes in Older Adults
Larry E. Humes, Ph.D.

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