

BAA President Blog - 31st March 2025

The clocks have finally gone forward, and the days are getting longer; we should be feeling a sense of new growth and hope. However, for those of us in England the sudden announcement of the end of NHS England has left many feeling unsettled and concerned for the future. This move comes when there is lots of noise about Audiology within NHSE, both from the paediatric improvement programme and the diagnostic work streams. We hope BAA can help ensure that the momentum of the current work isn't disrupted in the changeover (which realistically may not be a quick thing), and for those of you dealing with uncertainty in your roles with NHSE, we are thinking of you.

On Wednesday, after attending the British Cochlear Implant Group's conference, Victoria (BAA Marketing and Communication manager) and I will attend the first sitting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Deafness at Westminster for this government. We will look to support the RNID and help steer them to look at what we feel are important issues.

Internally much work has gone on around our website. Over the last couple of weeks, we have had significant technical problems with access to the links and items, such as the HTS logbooks. These have finally been solved, thank you for your patience with this. In the next couple of weeks, you will start to see a new look and feel to the website with some better functionality and integration with your membership database. So, keep your eye on that and the latest features that will follow.

We continue to be more transparent about many aspects of our work on your behalf. To this end, we will share some insight into the meetings we are invited to participate in. You can read about a few of these meetings from the last few weeks here: BAA Board Meetings.

As always, you can contact me or any of our board directors here: admin@baaudiology.org

Take care

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