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Applications Now Being Accepted for National Cochlear Implant Specialty Certification Exam During AudiologyNow! in San Antonio

Applications due Jan. 29, 2015; Late registration February 28

(Reston, VA, January 13, 2015) —The American Board of Audiology® (ABA) is now taking applications for its Cochlear Implant Specialty Certification (CISC®) examination, which will take place on March 29, at the AudiologyNow! Conference in San Antonio, TX. Regular registration is open through January 29, 2015, and late applications (with additional fees) will be open through February 28. Eligibility requirements for the CISC exam are outlined [here](#).

The ABA CISC recognizes audiologists who hold expertise in all areas of cochlear implant knowledge, including expectations, surgical considerations, device operation, and rehabilitation. The specialty certification was developed to standardize training and knowledge of CI audiologists, elevate professional standards in audiology, and recognize those professionals who have acquired specialized knowledge in the field of cochlear implants. To earn the CISC, a candidate must first submit an application verifying professional experience and education requirements.

The successful applicant then must pass a challenging examination that covers eight cochlear implant knowledge domains: Candidacy Considerations, Counseling/Expectations, Surgical Considerations, Programming Principles/Speech Coding, Device Operation, Troubleshooting, Rehabilitation, and Outcomes. Only those who are able to achieve the designated examination score earn the CI credential. Once earned, the certification must be renewed every three years through 60 hours of continuing education, 30 of which must be specific to cochlear implants.

For more information regarding the CISC, the ABA Pediatric in Audiology Specialty Certification (PASC®), or the ABA Board Certified in Audiology, visit www.boardofaudiology.org or call the ABA at 1-800-881-5410.

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