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## CAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2015-2016

### **BILL HODGETTS, PHD - PRESIDENT**

University of Alberta - Edmonton, AB

Bill Hodgetts is an associate professor in the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology at the University of Alberta. He holds a joint appointment at the Institute for Reconstructive Sciences in Medicine (iRSM) where he is program director for audiology and bone conduction amplification (BCA). He obtained his B.A. (Psychology) and M.Sc. (Audiology) from the University of Western Ontario and his Ph.D. (Rehab Sciences) from the University of Alberta. Bill teaches Audiology/Hearing Science as well as Statistics and Research Design at the U of A. His research focuses on the assessment, prescription, verification and validation of bone anchored amplification devices with a goal of improving outcomes for BCA users and transferring knowledge to other clinicians involved in BCA.

### **MARLENE BAGATTO - PRESIDENT-ELECT**

Western University - London, ON

Marlene Bagatto, Au.D., Ph.D. is a Research Associate and Adjunct Research Professor at the National Centre for Audiology at Western University in London, Ontario. Her research interests have a clinical focus and relate to fitting hearing aids to the pediatric population. She led the development, evaluation and implementation of a system for monitoring functional outcomes for infants, toddlers and preschool children who wear hearing aids. In addition, Dr. Bagatto serves as an Amplification Consultant for the Ontario Ministry of Children and Youth Services' Infant Hearing Program where protocol development, implementation and monitoring are her main activities. Dr. Bagatto also provides clinical services to infants involved in the Ontario Infant Hearing Program at the H.A. Leeper Speech and Hearing Clinic at Western.

### **GURJIT SINGH, PHD - PAST PRESIDENT**

Phonak AG - Toronto, ON

Gurjit Singh, PhD, Reg. CASLPO is a Senior Research Audiologist and Program Manager at Phonak AG in Switzerland, the largest manufacturer of hearing loss rehabilitation technologies (e.g., hearing aids, cochlear implants, etc) in the world. He works in the long-term research division of the company and is based in Toronto, Canada. In addition to holding Adjunct Professor status in the Department of Psychology at Ryerson University, he also holds Adjunct status at the University of Toronto and the Toronto Rehabilitation Institute. He is also a clinical audiologist (Reg. CASLPO) and the current Past-President of the Canadian Academy of Audiology. Broadly, he is interested in factors that contribute to success with audiologic rehabilitation. His projects focus on the audiologic consequences of listening to signals that contain or evoke emotional responses, the role of cognition in hearing, emerging technologies (e.g., internet technologies), and factors that contribute to judgment and decision-making in patients and practitioners. Dr. Singh completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the Toronto Rehabilitation Institute that focused on teleaudiology, a PhD (Cognitive Psychology) from the University of Toronto where his research focused on the role of attention in speech understanding, an M.Sc. (Audiology) from the University of Western Ontario, and an M.A. (Social Psychology) from the University of Waterloo.

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## **SALIMA JIWANI - SECRETARY**

AudioSense – Hearing & Balance Centre - Toronto, ON

Salima Jiwani is the clinical and research Director of Audiology at AudioSense Inc., a centre of excellence in Hearing and Balance Healthcare. Salima earned her Ph.D. in auditory neurophysiology with the Institute of Medical Science at the University of Toronto. She completed her doctoral work at the Cochlear Implant Lab at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, where she worked with children and adolescents who are deaf and have used a cochlear implant to hear for most of their lives. During her Ph.D., she developed novel imaging techniques to map the brain network that is activated by sound in cochlear implant users over the long-term. She has also worked extensively with children who have Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder during her research.

Prior to this, she received her Audiology degree from Dalhousie University, where she completed a Master's thesis concurrently with a clinical degree, where she investigated methods to diagnose Vestibular Schwannomas more reliably. In the clinic, Salima has worked as a Clinical Territory Manager with Cochlear Canada Inc., providing support to clinicians and researchers who work with cochlear implants and bone anchored hearing devices. Salima has experience working with both an adult and pediatric population, through her work experience at the Cochlear Canada Inc., the Hospital for Sick Children and the Centenary Community Hospital. Salima has always been interested in working with people suffering from auditory challenges, to help them perform better in a hearing world. Outside of work hours, she is an advocate for the profession of audiology as an Executive on the Board of the Canadian Academy of Audiology and co-chair of the Science and Education Committee. In this role, she encourages clinical research in the field of audiology and use of an evidence-based approach for all clinical work and a translational approach to research to promote optimal hearing health care.

## **JODI HABERSTOCK - TREASURER**

Carlton Trail Hearing Clinic - Prince Albert, SK

Jodi Haberstock received her Bachelor of Science in Communication Disorders and Masters of Science in Audiology from Minot State University. She received her Doctor of Audiology at A.T. Stills University in 2008. She has worked for the Saskatoon Health Region, Saskatchewan Cochlear Implant Program and for a hearing aid manufacturer. She currently owns and operates Carlton Trail Hearing Clinic in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan where she focuses on tinnitus management, pediatric to adult audiological evaluations and hearing aid fittings. She also consults for Prince Albert School Division where she provides pediatric hearing aid services and FM support. Along with her practice in northern Saskatchewan she also teaches at Grant MacEwan University in Edmonton, Alberta.

## **STEVE AIKEN - DIRECTOR**

Dalhousie University - Halifax, NS

Dr. Steve Aiken is an Associate Professor of Audiology, Surgery, Psychology and Neuroscience at Dalhousie University. He holds a master's degree in Audiology from the University of Western Ontario and a PhD in Medical Science from the University of Toronto. He has practiced as a clinical audiologist at the Canadian Hearing Society in Toronto and as an in-house audiologist for Bernafon Canada. Dr. Aiken's research is focused on assessing auditory function at the level of the brainstem and cortex using evoked responses to speech, and on measuring the impacts of aging and hearing aid processing. He is a past-president of the Canadian Academy

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of Audiology, associate editor of Canadian Audiologist, a member of the Dalhousie Hearing Aid Assistance Program, and founder and chair of the Canadian Infant Hearing Task Force.

### **GLYNNIS TIDBALL - DIRECTOR**

St. Paul's Hospital - Vancouver, BC

Glynnis Tidball, M.Sc. (SLP, Aud) is a registered clinical audiologist at St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver and clinical instructor at the School of Audiology and Speech Sciences in the UBC Faculty of Medicine. Her primary professional focus for the last 17 years has been management of tinnitus and hyperacusis, with a recent return to work in the BC Adult Cochlear Implant Program. Glynnis participates in related clinical research through the hospital is a sponsored speaker on tinnitus and hyperacusis to audiology and otolaryngology groups across Canada.

### **JOY GAUVREAU - DIRECTOR**

Costco - Saskatoon, SK

Joy Gauvreau has been a full time practicing audiologist since 1990. She attended Western Washington University for her M.A. Audiology. She currently works as a dispensing audiologist for Costco. Previous experience includes, educational audiology for school districts in Alberta and clinical audiology for Health Regions in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

### **ANGELA WEAVER - DIRECTOR**

Costco - Ottawa, ON

Angela Weaver is a registered clinical audiologist in Ontario, Alberta, and British Columbia. She earned her Master of Clinical Science in Audiology from Western University. Angela has worked in several private practice settings working directly with patients, with her main interests being the management of adult hearing impairment and quality assurance of audiology services. Angela currently works for Costco Hearing Aid Centres developing and implementing clinical protocols, hiring and training, and supporting Costco's clinicians across Canada.

### **BARB BENTLEY - DIRECTOR**

Bentley Hearing Services - London, ON

### **BONNIE COOKE - DIRECTOR**

Hotel Dieu Hospital - Kingston, ON

Bonnie Cooke is a registered clinical audiologist at Hotel Dieu Hospital in Kingston, Ontario where she works with patients of all ages performing hearing assessments and providing treatment/management for those with hearing loss. In addition, Bonnie Cooke is a part-time course instructor for the Communication Disorders Assistant program at St. Lawrence College where she teaches the amplification component of the curriculum. Bonnie Cooke has experience working in both the public and private health care sectors, as well as three years of experience as an industry representative with Oticon Medical. While working with Oticon

Medical, Bonnie worked as a Business Development Manager and Clinical Specialist where she provided support to clinicians, researchers and surgeons who work with cochlear implants and bone anchored hearing devices. Bonnie Cooke is a community advocate for hearing health awareness and is focused on improving the quality of life for those affected by hearing loss, their families and/or caregivers. As a volunteer with CAA, Bonnie's focus is to help forge relationships between Canadian audiologists, clinical and otherwise, in order to help advance the profession of audiology through knowledge-sharing, collaboration and advocacy!

## **JANINE VERGE - DIRECTOR**

Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Centres - Halifax, Nova Scotia

Janine Verge has worked as an Audiologist at the Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Centres for the past 17 years. She obtained her BSc (Psychology) at Mount Saint Vincent University and her MSc (Audiology) from Dalhousie University. Janine won the 2009 NSHSC Advocacy Award and the 2013 NSHSC Dr. N. Barrie Coward Continuing Educational Award. She served as president of the Speech and Hearing Association of Nova Scotia from 2010-2013. Janine is an adjunct professor at Dalhousie University, teaching in the area of vestibular testing and management, and is currently enrolled in a transitional AuD program at AT Still University in Arizona (expected finish date - Apr 30, 2016). She co-created the CAA National Vestibular Special Interest Group, is chairing a committee working on a national guideline/scoping review for Canadian Audiologists on vestibular assessment and management, and is co-editor of "Striking the Right Balance," an on-going column in the on-line publication "Canadian Audiologist." Janine is particularly interested in all things vestibular, fall prevention, mental health advocacy, and single-sided deafness.