

Ellen May, Au.D., CCC-A

QUALIFICATIONS SUMMARY:

Pediatric/Adult/Geriatric Audiological Evaluations
Adult/Geriatric Hearing Aid Evaluations
Hearing Aid Troubleshooting/Fitting
Hearing Aid Verification and Validation
Hearing Aid Dispensing for Private Pay
Vestibular Evaluations
Auditory Brainstem Response Evaluations
Central Auditory Processing Evaluations
Hearing and Speech Screenings

EDUCATION:

2014: Doctor of Audiology
The Graduate Center, City University of New York, New York, NY
2009: B.A. in Speech Pathology and Audiology, cum laude
A.A. in Judaic Studies
Yeshiva University, Stern College for Women, New York, NY

PRACTICUM PLACEMENTS AND EXPERIENCE:

Clinical Audiologist, August 2014 – Present

Chicago ENT, Chicago, IL

Performed: Neurodiagnostic auditory brainstem response testing (ABR); vestibular evaluations; hearing aid evaluations, fittings, and adjustments; ear mold impressions, otoacoustic emissions; tympanometry; audiological diagnostic testing; patient counseling.

Patient Population: All ages

Skills: Discussed patient treatment plans with on-site otolaryngologists; interpreted vestibular evaluations; used Phonak, Starkey, and Widex fitting software to program and adjust hearing aids; used eClinicalWorks for billing and filling out patient charts.

Graduate Clinician, June 2013 – May 2014

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Extern, January 2013 – May 2013

Head and Neck Surgical Group, New York, NY

Performed: Electrocochleography testing; audiological diagnostic testing; tympanometry; neurodiagnostic ABR; vestibular evaluations, hearing aid troubleshooting.

Patient Population: Adults

Skills: Managing high case load; interpreting vestibular evaluations; discussed patient treatment plans with on-site otolaryngologists; patient counseling; billing and filling out patient charts with eClinicalWorks.

Extern, June 2012 – December 2012

Jacobi Medical Center, Bronx, NY

Performed: Visual Reinforcement Audiometry, play audiometry, audiological diagnostic testing; neurodiagnostic ABR and automated ABR (AABR); verification and validation of hearing aids; patient counseling; otoacoustic emissions; tympanometry; acoustic reflexes; acoustic reflex decay.

Patient Population: Newborns, pediatrics, and adults.

Skills: ABR interpretation; assisted with newborn hearing screenings (OAEs and AABR); wrote detailed patient reports.

Intern, January 2012 – May 2012

Brooklyn College Diana Rogovin Davidow Speech and Hearing Center, Brooklyn, NY

Performed: Audiological diagnostic testing; hearing aid evaluations, fittings, troubleshooting; ear mold impressions; verification and validation of hearing aids; patient counseling.

Patient Population: Adults, geriatrics

Intern, September 2011 – December 2011

The Graduate Center Audiological Suite, New York, NY

Performed: Hearing screenings for preschool children; hearing screenings on adults at the Graduate Center Wellness Fair; audiological diagnostic testing; neurodiagnostic ABR; verification and validation of hearing aids; patient counseling.

Patient Population: Adults

Intern, June 2011 – October 2011

Hunter College Center for Communication Disorders, New York, NY

Performed: Audiological diagnostic testing; central auditory processing disorder testing on children; hearing screenings on preschool children; ABR; patient counseling.

Patient Population: All ages

Skills: Submitted insurance claims for diagnostic testing services, wrote central auditory processing testing reports.

Patient Care Coordinator, July 2009 - August 2010

Audio Help Hearing Centers, New York, NY

Scheduled appointments; produced sales reports and invoices to monitor sales; learned how to troubleshoot hearing aids; became familiar with hearing aid technologies and EMR.

CREDENTIALS:

Licensed Audiologist

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation

Certificate of Clinical Competence

American Speech Language Hearing Association

RESEARCH:

Otosopic and Tympanometric Outcomes in Haitian Children (Capstone Research Project)

Abstract:

The purpose of this study was to determine the outer and middle ear statuses of schoolchildren (aged 5 – 8) in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Haiti was of interest to my research partner and I due to the dearth of audiological research, as well as the adverse living conditions and lack of medical care available to many of its residents (especially since the earthquake in 2010). Extensive literature reviews of other developing countries revealed a high prevalence of outer and middle ear pathologies among children.

Otoscopy, tympanometry, and ipsilateral acoustic reflex screenings were performed on 41 subjects at a kindergarten and primary school. The otoscopic and tympanometric data were collected and statistically analyzed. The majority of children tested had normal otoscopic and tympanometric outcomes. Based on examination, no subjects exhibited any outer ear abnormalities, and only one ear was found to have impacted cerumen with otoscopy. Almost 50% of those tested had normal tympanometric results. Many children who had normal audiometric results did not pass the ipsilateral acoustic reflex screening at 100 dB SPL, but that is perhaps because the instrumentation utilized did not have the ability to conduct a threshold search for reflexes. Following the analysis of the results, recommendations and referrals to proper medical professionals were issued.