

## **BSA Bone Conduction & Middle Ear Devices Special Interest Group (BC/ME Devices)**

Since approval by BSA to set up this Special Interest Group we have managed to set up the steering and reference groups. The steering group have now met several times to tackle our first main objective, development of Practice Guidance. The main drive of this group is that there are currently no guidelines for the use of Bone Conduction Hearing Devices (implantable and non-implantable) or Middle Ear Devices. The interest and potential candidacy for these devices is rapidly growing and there is no formal guidance available and no professional group to take this forward. Guidance would help with maximising potential for current device users and potential device users. The long term goal of this group is to also promote learning and provide a forum for collaboration of professionals across the country and give opportunities for research that may have clinical utility. This in turn will drive a positive impact of a united forum that will encourage clinicians to explore not only traditional amplification but newer technology and have more competency and consistency in its use. We would welcome further applications to join our SIG from across the wider BSA membership, so do get in contact if you are interested in joining this exciting new SIG to be updated in more detail about our work, please email: [bsa@thebsa.org.uk](mailto:bsa@thebsa.org.uk).