

## **BSA e-Update & SIG Spotlight**

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The group has gained some new members recently and the meetings have been very lively. It's great to be part of a group where debates can be stimulating and at the same fostered in an inclusive environment of mutual respect.

The Paediatric Hearing Services Improvement Programme, steered by NHS England, is well underway and the EPSIG is well represented in its meetings, as one of the stakeholders.

We've been reviewing the ABR testing in babies and the principles of external peer review of ABR testing for the past few months. With ABRs being at the focus of the aforementioned programme, this has generated some very interesting discussions about the role the BSA guidance documents play in the current climate but also wider discussions about accessibility, digestion of information and how to cater for across the different nations of the UK.

Away from guidance development, we have investigated queries from members, in particular we've had a couple of queries regarding cases where manufacturer advice contradict BSA advice. We aim to address this scenario in upcoming revisions.

The group is often regarded as a collective of experts on the field. I would like to think of the group as a collective of curious and creative individuals that never feel satisfied with what they know. As Solon said: 'I grow old while always learning'.

Should you feel you can contribute in the development of this area of the profession, there's never been a better time to join and join the debate!