

2nd December 2008

Dear colleagues,

Invitation to Four National Audiology Events in January and February 2009

I am writing with an open invitation to attend four national events for audiology taking place in January and February of next year. These events will celebrate the successes and achievements in the care and management of adults and children with hearing and balance problems as well as providing a focus for discussion and debate with your colleagues on how to build on the improvements and innovations to ensure that services are sustainable for the future.

The discussion will be centred around the previously published good practice guides and the publication of new good practice guides in adult balance and tinnitus services (available in the new year).

The four events will take place in London, as follows:

26th January – Balance, Avonmouth House, 6 Avonmouth Street, London. SE1 6NX

28th January – Tinnitus, Avonmouth House, 6 Avonmouth Street, London. SE1 6NX

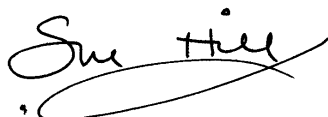
2nd February – Adults, London Metropole Hotel, 225 Edgware Road, London, W2 1JU

9th February – Paediatrics, London Metropole Hotel, 225 Edgware Road, London, W2 1JU

The morning session for each event will reflect on lessons learnt, the implementation of new models of care and the opportunities that the NHS Next Stage Review provides. There will be also be an opportunity to put your questions to a panel including the Department of Health's Chief Scientific Officer. Workshops will focus on various service enablers and areas of concern and interest, specific to each of the four areas, with a plenary session to conclude.

We are inviting all those working in the NHS including clinicians, managers, patient representatives and commissioners. I very much hope you will be able to join us. There is no charge for the event.

Yours sincerely



**Professor Sue Hill
Chief Scientific Officer**