

EDUCATION

University of Memphis, Memphis, TN
Doctor of Audiology
May 2007

Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA
Master of Education in Communication Disorders
August 2001

Berry College, Mount Berry, GA
Bachelor of Arts in Communication
May 1998

Gordon College, Barnesville, GA
Associate of Science
June 1996

CERTIFICATIONS/ LICENSURES

American Board of Audiology Certified – American Board of Audiology
Listening and Spoken Language Specialist - Certified Auditory-Verbal Educator (LSLS Cert. AVEEd) –
AG Bell Academy for Listening and Spoken Language
Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology (CCC-A) – American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP) – American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Licensed Audiologist – Missouri State Board of Healing Arts
Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist – Missouri State Board of Healing Arts
Licensed Audiologist – Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist – Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist – New York State Office of the Professions
Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist – Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech Pathology and Audiology

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

August 2011 - Present Washington University, St. Louis, MO
Lecturer, Department of Audiology and Communication Sciences

June 2007 - Present The Moog Center for Deaf Education, St. Louis, MO
Pediatric Audiologist/ Speech-Language Pathologist
Coordinator of Speech-Language Pathology

August 2003 - May 2007 University of Memphis, Memphis, TN
AG Bell Cochlear Implant Fellow, The Moog Center for Deaf Education, St. Louis, MO
LEND Audiology Trainee, The UT Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities, Memphis, TN
Graduate Clinician,
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN
Memphis Oral School for the Deaf, Memphis, TN
Memphis City Schools, Memphis, Tennessee
Methodist University Hospital Hearing and Balance Center, Memphis, TN
Desoto Ear Nose and Throat, Southaven, MS
Mid-South Ear Nose and Throat, Memphis, TN
Memphis Speech and Hearing Center, Memphis, TN

August 2001 - July 2003 Griffin-Spalding County Board of Education, Griffin, GA
Speech-Language Pathologist, Cowan Road Elementary School, Griffin, GA

August 1998 - August 2001 Georgia State University
Graduate Medical Intern, Mariner Health Care Northeast Atlanta, Atlanta, GA
Graduate Educational Intern, Vanderlyn Elementary School, Dunwoody, GA
Graduate Clinician, Georgia State Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic, Atlanta, GA

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Cochlear Implant Alliance - Member
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association – Member
American Auditory Society – Member
Alexander Graham Bell Association - Member
American Academy of Audiology – Fellow
Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association - Member

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATION and COMMITTEES

December 2016 – December 2017 Pediatric Clinical Consultant; Oticon Medical, LLC.
January 2014 – August 2016 (Re)Habilitation and Special Projects Consultant; Advanced Bionics, LLC.

2019-present American Cochlear Implant Alliance Board of Directors
2019-present Advanced Bionics, LLC North American Rehab Advisory Board
2018-present Fontbonne University IPEI OSERS Advisory Board
2016-present Washington University Audiology Program Committee
2015 AG Bell Listening and Spoken Language Symposium Advisory Committee
2013 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention Program Committee –
Intervention/Habilitation for Infants and Children with Hearing Loss

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Birath, A.L. *Educating Educators: Tools, Tips, and Talking Points*. Up, Up, and Away: Elevating Children Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing to New Heights Workshop, San Antonio, TX, October 2019.

Robbins, A.M. & **Birath, A.L.** *Conversational Competence: It's the Reason We Communicate!* Up, Up, and Away: Elevating Children Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing to New Heights Workshop, San Antonio, TX, October 2019.

Birath, A.L. *Auditory Learning: What is Needed?* Barnplantorna Family Conference and Camp at Sundsgarden Folkhogskola, Helsingborg, Sweden, August 2019.

Birath, A.L. *Communication and Behavior: Family Matters*. Barnplantorna Family Conference and Camp at Sundsgarden Folkhogskola, Helsingborg, Sweden, July 2019.

Birath, A.L. & Marty-Grames, L. *Velopharyngeal Dysfunction Resulting from Vincristine Chemotherapy in Treatment of Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia, and Post-Chemotherapy Outcomes*. American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Boston, MA, November 2018.

Birath, A.L. *Highlighting Hearing Aids: Ask an Audiologist, Session 1 & 2* [Webinar]. In Learning Experiences by Hearing First. Available from Hearing First at <https://community.hearingfirst.org/learning-experiences/highlighting-hearing-aids-ask-audiologist-part-2---birath/>. September 2018.

Birath, A.L. *Highlighting Hearing Aids: Getting the Most from your Child's Technology, Session 1 & 2* [Webinar]. In Learning Experiences by Hearing First. Available from Hearing First at <https://community.hearingfirst.org/learning-experiences/highlighting-hearing-aids-part-1---birath/>. August 2018.

Birath, A.L., Garber, A., & Zombek, L. *Difficult Cases – Therapy & Education*. American Cochlear Implant Alliance CI2018 Emerging Issues in Cochlear Implantation Conference, Washington, DC, March 2018.

Birath, A.L. & Brooks, B.M., *Auditory Skills Development: Strategies for Improving Auditory Skills*, The Moog Center for Deaf Education 1st Biennial Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, June 2017.

Birath, A.L. & Holstad, B.A. *Auditory Brainstem Implant Management & Outcomes of a 13-Year-Old Child at 3 Years Post*. AudiologyNOW!, Indianapolis, IN, April 2017.

Birath, A.L. *Learning to Listen: Following Auditory Directions* [Webinar]. In rehAB Made Easy, A Virtual Learning Series for Professionals Hosted by Advanced Bionics, LLC. Available from Audiology Online at <http://www.audiologyonline.com/ce/advanced-bionics/events/details/27626/learning-to-listen-following-auditory-27626>. May 2016.

Birath, A.L. *Auditory Brainstem Implant Management & Outcomes of a 12-Year-Old Child at 2 Years Post*. American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Denver, CO, November 2015.

Birath, A.L. *From Detection to Comprehension: Targeting Auditory Skills Development with Children Who Have Cochlear Implants*. New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Long Branch, NJ, April 2015.

Birath, A.L. *Can You Hear Me Now? Speech Perception Testing with Children Who Have Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants*. The 45th Annual Mid-South Conference on Communicative Disorders, Memphis, TN, February 2015.

Holstad B.A., **Birath A.L.** Shapiro W., Roland T. *When A Cochlear Implant Is No Longer an Option: Auditory Brainstem Implant Management and Outcomes of An 11-Year Old Child At 16 Months Post*. American Cochlear Implant Alliance CI 2014 Symposium, Nashville, TN, December 2014.

Holstad, B.A., Sonneveldt, V.G., **Birath, A.L.**, Cahill, M.E. *Consideration for Programming Outlying Electrodes (A Case Study)*. Poster presented at the American Cochlear Implant Alliance CI 2014 Symposium, Nashville, TN, December 2014.

Cahill, M.E., **Birath, A.L.**, Holstad, B.A., & Sonneveldt, V.G. *Cochlear Implantation of a Spanish-speaking Child with Infantile Refsum Disease*. Poster presented at the American Cochlear Implant Alliance CI 2013 Symposium, Washington, DC, October 2013.

Brooks, B.M. & **Birath, A.L.** *Auditory Skill Development: Basics and Beyond*. Missouri Speech and Hearing Association Conference, Osage Beach, Missouri, April 2013.

Brooks, B.M. & **Birath, A.L.** *Auditory Skill Development: Basics and Beyond*. Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf International Conference, Scottsdale, Arizona, June 2012.

Brooks, B.M. & **Birath, A.L.** *ASAP II: A Speech/Language and Auditory Program Part 2*. A Workshop for Missouri First Steps Providers, The Moog Center for Deaf Education, St. Louis, MO, October and December 2010 and May 2011.

Birath, A.L. *Rate of Auditory Skill Development at the Sequentially Implanted Ear*. Poster presented at the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Philadelphia, PA, November 2010.

Brooks, B.M., and **Birath, A.L.** *Understanding Audiologic Issues Related to Children with Hearing Loss*. Washington Parrish School Board, Franklinton, Louisiana, September 2010.

Brooks, B.M. & **Birath, A.L.** *ASAP: A Speech/Language and Auditory Program*. A Workshop for Missouri First Steps Providers, The Moog Center for Deaf Education, St. Louis, MO, January, February, and May 2010.

Birath, A.L. & Gustus, C. *Collaboration between Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologist*. American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention for the National Student Speech-Language Hearing Association, New Orleans, LA, November 2009.

Birath, A.L. *Hearing Aids: Getting the Most from Technology*. Helping Your Child Learn to Talk: A Workshop for Parents of Children Who Are Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ages 2-5, St. Louis, MO, July 2009.

Birath, A.L. *Therapists, Teachers, Audiologists, and Parents: Teaming Together for a Critical Partnership*. The Moog Center for Deaf Education: Early Intervention Workshop, St. Louis, MO, February 2009.

Birath, A.L. *Validation II: Assessing Progress through Collaboration with Parents and Professionals*. The ABC Workshop: Abilities-Based Cochlear Implant Programming for Infants and Young Children, St. Louis, MO, January 2009.

Gustus, C., Moriarty, K.L., & **Birath, A.L.** *Bilaterally Implanted Students: Auditory Skill Development with a Second Implant*. American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention, Chicago, IL, November 2008.

Birath, A.L. *Hearing Aids: Introduction and Troubleshooting*. A Speech-Language and Auditory Program (ASAP) Workshop, St. Louis, MO, March 2008.

Birath, A.L. *Impact of Noise on Listening in the Classroom*. Strategies for Teachers of Mainstreamed Students: A Workshop for Teachers Who Have a Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing Student in Their Classroom, St. Louis, MO, October 2007.

Davidson, L.S., Skinner, M.W., Holstad, B.A., Fears, B.T., Richter, M.K., Matusofsky, M.B., **Birath, A.L.**, & Kettel, J.L. *The Effect of Instantaneous Input Dynamic Range Setting on the Speech Perception of Children with the Nucleus 24 Implant*. Poster presented at the Conference on Implantable Auditory Prostheses, Lake Tahoe, CA, July 2007.

Birath, A.L. & Cox, R. *Effects of age and context on scores for two speech-in-noise tests*. Poster presented at the 36th Annual Mid-South Conference on Communication Disorders, Memphis, TN, 2005.

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Wolfe, J., Smith, J., Neumann, S., Miller, S., Schafer, E.C., **Birath, A.L.**, Childress, T., McNally, C., McNiece, C., Madell, J., Spangler, C., Caraway, T., & Jones, C. (2020). Optimizing communication in schools and other settings during COVID-19. *The Hearing Journal*, 73(9), 40, 42-45.

Birath, A.L. (2020). Personal Roger System Fitting. In J.R. Madell, C. Flexer, J. Wolfe, & E.C. Schafer (Eds) *Pediatric Audiology Casebook, Second Edition*. (198-201). New York: Thieme Medical Publisher.

Birath, A.L. (2018, 2015). *The Moog Center for Deaf Education Teacher Assessment of Speech Production (TASP)*. St. Louis, MO: The Moog Center.

Madell, J., **Birath, A.L.**, & Mehringer, B. (2012). FAQ 22: Is auditory-verbal therapy and education suitable for children with central auditory processing disorders? in W. Estabrooks (Ed.), *101FAQs About Auditory-Verbal Practice*. Washington, DC: AGBell.

Birath, A.L. (2011). Hearing Aids: Case 43. In J. R. Madell & C. Flexer (Eds.), *Pediatric Audiology Casebook* (159-162). New York: Thieme Medical Publisher.

Davidson, L.S., Skinner, M.W., Holstad, B.A., Fears, B.T., Richter, M.K., Matusofsky, M.B., **Birath, A.L.**, Kettel, J.L., & Scollie, S. (2009). The effect of instantaneous input dynamic range setting on the speech perception of children with the nucleus 24 implant. *Ear and Hearing*, 30(3), 340-349.