

KRISTIN BABA

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CLINICAL AUDIOLOGIST

EXPERIENCE

TRIPLER ARMY MEDICAL CENTER | Honolulu, HI | June 2024-Present

Staff Audiologist—GS 12-5 (Full-time—40 hours per week)

- Uses evidence-based practice and contemporary audiology practices to perform infant, pediatric and adult diagnostic hearing evaluations including otoscopy, tympanometry, acoustic reflex thresholds and decay, otoacoustic emissions (OAE), air and bone conduction thresholds, speech testing and auditory brainstem response (ABR)
- Performs additional testing including hearing conservation screenings and tests, pre- and post-operation hearing evaluations and ototoxic monitoring
- Consults with other healthcare professionals for a multidisciplinary approach to treating Craniofacial Clinic patients
- Provides hearing aid consultation, fitting, verification, adjustment and repairs for adult and pediatric patients

HAWAII AUDIOLOGY CONSULTANTS | Honolulu, HI | January 2022-Present

Independently Contracted Hearing Conservation Audiologist

- Reviews screening audiograms for significant shifts in hearing and for medical referrals per Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines
- Applies and calculates age correction normative data, as appropriate
- Writes reports for individuals with threshold shifts and medical referrals
- Creates summary letters and reports for company safety directors

DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS | Honolulu, HI | November 2018-June 2024

Staff Audiologist—GS12-5 (Full-time—40 hours per week)

- Utilized evidence-based practice to perform comprehensive diagnostic hearing evaluations
- Performed disability rating examinations for hearing loss and tinnitus for veterans and military service members
- Provided hearing aid and assistive listening device consultation, fitting, verification, adjustment and repairs
- Collaborated with other Veteran's Administration (VA) and community healthcare providers to make appropriate referrals and personalized patient-centered plans
- Provided mail-in hearing aid repair services, remote hearing aid fittings and adjustments and tele-health appointments for veterans unable to travel
- Managed hearing aid orders that are pending certification and issue for the VA clinic and community care providers
- Created inventory system to streamline the process of checking clinic stock and ordering new material for VA Pacific Islands Healthcare System's Audiology department
- Provided tele-audiology services for hearing evaluations, hearing aid fittings, and hearing aid adjustments
- Supervised audiology health technicians with hearing aid dispensing licensure and Council for Accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation (CAOHC) certification for hearing conservation
- Supervised Doctor of Audiology program interns
- Assisted in the creation of the VA Pacific Islands Audiology Clinic Manual

KAPIOLANI MEDICAL CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN | Honolulu, HI | June- November 2018

Per Diem Audiologist (Per Diem—10 hours per week)

- Used evidence-based practice and contemporary audiology practices to perform adult and pediatric diagnostic hearing evaluations, including auditory brainstem response (ABR) on high-risk infants
- Collaborated with other healthcare professionals to provide multidisciplinary care for Craniofacial Clinic patients
- Utilized ototoxic monitoring protocols for inpatient and outpatient hearing evaluations
- Performed pre- and post-operative monitoring hearing evaluations
- Provided adult and pediatric hearing aid consultation, fitting, verification, adjustment and repairs

EXPERIENCE

HAWAII PROFESSIONAL AUDIOLOGY | Honolulu, HI | September 2017- October 2018

Clinical Audiologist (Full-time – 40 hours per week)

- Utilized evidence-based practice to perform adult and pediatric hearing evaluations
- Collaborated with local healthcare providers to make appropriate referrals and provide patients with personalized healthcare plans
- Performed occupational hearing screenings for hearing conservation programs
- Assisted with creating and designing the company website
- Developed standardized report templates for more efficient workflow
- Provided adult and pediatric hearing aid consultation, fitting, verification, adjustment and repairs

TRIPLER ARMY MEDICAL CENTER | Honolulu, HI | June 2016- August 2017

Audiology Resident (Full-time – 40 hours per week)

- Used evidence-based practice and contemporary audiology practices to perform infant, pediatric and adult diagnostic hearing evaluations including otoscopy, tympanometry, acoustic reflex thresholds and decay, otoacoustic emissions (OAE), air and bone conduction thresholds, speech testing and auditory brainstem response (ABR)
- Performed additional testing including hearing conservation screenings and tests, pre- and post-operation hearing evaluations and ototoxic monitoring
- Mapped and verified cochlear implants
- Provided diagnostic vestibular evaluations for active duty military patients
- Assisted in aural rehabilitation sessions for pediatric cochlear implant and auditory processing disorder patients
- Performed auditory processing disorder (APD) evaluations for traumatic brain injury patients
- Consulted with other healthcare professionals for a multidisciplinary approach to treating Craniofacial Clinic patients
- Provided hearing aid consultation, fitting, verification, adjustment and repairs for adult and pediatric patients

EDUCATION

DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY (AUD.D.), *Audiology*

Pacific University, Oregon | 2014-2017

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.S), *Biology, minors in Chemistry and French*

University of Portland, Oregon | 2010-2014

CERTIFICATIONS

American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) —*Certificate of Clinical Competency (CCC-A)*

American Heart Association (AHA) —*Basic Life Support*

PROJECTS AND ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Introduction to Health Care Data Analytics (31 credit hours)

-Department of Veterans Affairs | Honolulu, HI | 2021

“Creating a Literacy Program for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Children”

-Pacific University | Hillsboro, OR | 2017