

## Editorial

The *Journal of the Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology* continues to document the ever-changing field of Rehabilitation. As seen in this issue, much of our attention this past year has been focused on the needs of patients with cochlear implants. New techniques to verify speech production performance in a child with an implant are addressed by Barbara Bernhardt and colleagues. The benefits of using Self-Assessment tools with patients with implants are presented by Susan Binzer. These patients are experiencing benefits beyond improved speech recognition as shown by Kate Gfeller and colleagues who systematically study the perception of music. Our field is also moving out of the clinic and into the home and work place. Terry Zwolan and colleagues show us the benefits of using Auditory Training software in the home while Chantal Laroche and colleagues provide interesting insights into the needs of persons with hearing loss in employment settings. Just as these areas are expanding, T.P. Hutchinson and Cairns provide a fresh look at a traditional area of rehabilitation by examining the effects of context on speechreading. A review of the 2000 Summer Institute Program also highlights the increasing diversity of the field. Presenters discussed topics including early identification, internet sales of hearing aids, FM and hearing aid technology, and new frameworks for offering Aural Rehabilitation Services. As new information regarding technology and rehabilitation techniques is discovered at a rapidly increasing rate, professionals will not only look to the *Journal* but also the new Academy web page ([www.audrehab.org](http://www.audrehab.org)) for the recent developments and current trends in the field.

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