



Division of Audiology

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2017-18 marked the inaugural year of the Division of Audiology within the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery. The division was established in June of 2017 from the previous Audiology Committee. The division is composed of a group of fifteen audiologists dedicated to supporting research, undergraduate education, postgraduate education and continuing medical education within the department. The annual division meeting took place in March 2018 and most members were able to attend. A variety of collaborations were discussed including teaching, CPD courses and research. Members of the division under the leadership of Susan Druker provided audiology teaching as part of the otolaryngology curriculum for undergraduate medical students. The core lecture series for otolaryngology residents took place in September 2017 and “Audiogram of the Month” continued throughout the academic year and once again included vestibular as well as audiological cases. Kids2Hear, a health initiative whereby undergraduate medical students provide school-based hearing and otoscopy screening for elementary school children enjoyed another successful year. Medical students and many members of the department including audiologists, fellows, surgeons and residents participated in hearing screening at six different Toronto elementary schools. The Division of Audiology brought in Dr. Ari Bitnun to present at the Annual Krista Riko Lecture this year. Dr. Bitnun presented on congenital CMV and the upcoming changes to the provincial Infant Hearing Program.