



Division of Audiology

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The Audiology Division is composed of a group of audiologists dedicated to research, undergraduate and postgraduate education, as well as continuing medical education within the department. 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 the otolaryngology residents took place in September again this year. Kids2Hear, a primary preventative health initiative whereby medical students from the University of Toronto provide school-based hearing and otoscopy screening for elementary school children was cancelled this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. Medical students were highly innovative and pivoted quickly to provide a workshop to teachers at the Toronto District School Board entitled “Identifying Signs of Hearing Loss in the classroom and what to do next”. They hope this has the potential to become a regular part of the Kids2Hear programming! The Krista Riko lecture occurred virtually this year. Marie Pigeon, audiologist at Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) and provincial Infant Hearing Program Designated Training Centre lead presented on Newborn Screening Ontario Hearing Loss Risk Factor Screening and the preliminary findings from the first year of screening.

The Audiology Division members for the 2020–21 academic year were:

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Karen Gordon
Gina Goulding
Melissa Hazen
Laurie MacDonald
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