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## ***Welcome to E-Echoes***

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**E-Echoes** is our online newsletter sent to keep in touch with patients, families and professionals. E-Echoes will feature updates and important information in the following sections: [The Ear Institute @ The New York Eye & Ear Infirmary](#), [New Developments in Treatment & Technology](#), [CE Courses for Professionals](#) and [Workshops for Patients and Their Families](#). Please forward to family, friends & colleagues who wish to stay informed.

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## **THE CHILDREN'S HEARING INSTITUTE APPOINTS NEW MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

As we approach the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Children's Hearing Institute, it is truly remarkable to look back at the milestones we have reached, goals we have accomplished and, more importantly, the lives of the many children and families who have benefited from our services. As we enter our 4<sup>th</sup> decade, CHI remains focused on the fact that hearing loss is still America's number one birth defect and leading disability. Effecting more than 37 million American's of all ages, hearing loss continues to be increasingly recognized as a public health crisis.

The Institute is honored to welcome the following new members to the Board of Directors. Together we will continue our work in fulfilling our mission of "***moving children from a world of silence to a world of sound.***"



### **Stephen J. Paluszek**

Mr. Paluszek is a Principal of PRB Advisors LLC and Portfolio Manager of PRB Investors, LP. Prior to this position Mr. Paluszek was the President and Director of M.A. Schapiro & Co., Inc., a broker-dealer specializing in bank stocks, from 1988 until the sale of the company in December of 1997.

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### **Won-Taek Choe, MD**

Dr. Won-Taek Choe received a Magna Cum Laude in Biochemical Sciences from Harvard College, and received his medical degree from the Stanford University School of Medicine. He then remained at Stanford for his internship and residency in Otolaryngology, and completed his



fellowship in Neurotology and Skull Base Surgery at the California Ear Institute.  
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**Joseph M. Bernstein, MD**

Dr. Joseph M. Bernstein is on the full-time faculty at The New York Eye and Ear Infirmary and the Director of Pediatric Otolaryngology for the Continuum Health Partners Otolaryngology Service Line. He works with the faculty at The New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, Beth Israel Medical Center and Roosevelt Hospital to develop the Pediatric Otolaryngology Service and to further enhance the scope of pediatric care. [Click here to read full bio.](#)



**Lisa C. Vasanth, MD**

Dr. Lisa C. Vasanth is an Assistant Attending Physician in Rheumatology and Co-Director of Occupational Health at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York. She also has appointments at New York Presbyterian Hospital, Weill Cornell Medical Center and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.  
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## **The Children's Hearing Institute's Educational Outreach Program For Professionals**

This program has been established to increase the learning opportunities for professionals who work with children with hearing loss. CHI is an Accredited Provider by ASHA, AAA, & The AG BELL Academy for Listening and Spoken Language Specialists (LSLS).

### **UPCOMING CE COURSES- FALL/WINTER 2012**

**Mark Your Calendars!**

**NEW - FREE STUDY GROUP**

**10/17/12** [Join Our Study Group](#) to network, discuss strategies on particular cases within your school districts and learn about new advances in the field of deaf education and technology.

For Teachers of the Deaf, Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists  
 Plainview, NY 4:00pm-6:00pm

**Fall 2012 - SOLD OUT**

**10/27/12** [SOUNDS IN MOTION and its Applications](#)

Learn about Sounds in Motion applications as it is applied to children with hearing and learning disabilities as well as in the regular education classroom.

SIM is a unique phonemic awareness and early literacy tool that utilizes body movements to develop the perception and production of speech sounds.

Beth Israel Medical Center - 2nd Floor Conference Center

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**NEW - CASLLS: BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!!**

**11/05/12** [CASLLS: Cottage Acquisition Scales for Listening, Language & Speech](#)

A set of criterion-referenced instruments designed to help teachers and therapists assess, monitor, and select objectives for planning instruction to promote the language acquisition of children with hearing loss.

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**Fall 2012 - SOLD OUT**

**11/30/12** [Cochlear Implants 101 - A Hands On Workshop \(CE Course\)](#)

A basic cochlear implant course for SLPs, Audiologists, TODs & Administrators. Topics include Candidacy, HAs to CIs, CI Device Options, Programming, Accessories, Post-CI Auditory Therapy, and Post-CI Educational Considerations.  
Ear Institute - New York Eye & Ear Infirmary  
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### **Fall 2012 - LIMITED SEATING**

#### **12/07/12 [Audiology 101 - A Hands on Workshop\(CE Course\)](#)**

A basic audiology course with topics to include: Understanding hearing loss, types of hearing tests, hearing aids, FM systems, cochlear implants, and family centered care for the hearing impaired child.

The Ear Institute - NYC 9:00am-3:00pm (To register contact 646-438-7819)

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### **Winter 2013 - LIMITED SEATING**

#### **3/14/13 [Controversial Issues in Pediatric Audiology](#)**

**3/15/13** Auditory Therapy Day - Thursday 3/14/13

Audiology Day - Friday 3/15/13

Beth Israel Medical Center

To pre-register, please contact Myrna at [mfarrell@nyee.edu](mailto:mfarrell@nyee.edu) or 646-438-7819

To register online or view full brochures please visit our website at [www.childrenshearing.org](http://www.childrenshearing.org)

For more information contact Myrna Farrell at 646-438-7819 [mfarrell@nyee.edu](mailto:mfarrell@nyee.edu)

## **Attention Parents: Family Workshops**

### **The Children's Hearing Institute's Educational Outreach Program**

is proud to sponsor FREE workshops for children with hearing loss and their families.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **\*\*ATTENTION PARENTS IN THE NYC & FIVE BOROUGHES AREA**

CHI will begin hosting Music Workshops for Elementary Kids, Teens and their families in the NYC area. We are also starting to organize monthly Parent Groups as well as patient mentoring programs for children of all ages. If you are interested or have any ideas for topics, please contact [MFarrell@nyee.edu](mailto:MFarrell@nyee.edu) and have your name added to the list to receive updates on these events once they are scheduled.

### **HOPE Program: What Children with Cochlear Implants Need at School**

#### **Monday, October 22, 2012**

Discuss topics that can help achieve a favorable classroom environment and provide guidance for the regular classroom teacher.

Westchester Institute for Human Development

View Flyer: [Hope Program: What Children with CIs Need at School](#)

### **MEDEL 2012 Fall Conference**

#### **Getting a Cochlear Implant: Life Beyond Hearing Aids**

**Sunday, October 28, 2012 - Marriott - Islandia, Long Island (10:00am-12:00pm)**

**Saturday, November 3, 2012 - Westchester Marriott (10:00am-12:00pm)**

Free informational session to learn how cochlear implants can help you or your child hear again, and better understand the causes of hearing loss.

To Register please contact Katie Vaughn at [katie.vaughn@medel.com](mailto:katie.vaughn@medel.com) or call 919-313-9202

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### **NEW DATES:**

#### **Music Workshop: Fall Schedule**

#### **Elementary/Teen & Parent Music Workshops - Plainview, NY**

Four Points Sheraton (Long Island)

5:30pm-8:00pm (Elementary Group) and 6:30-9:00pm (Teen Group)

Meet & Greet/Pizza Party will be the first half hour of each workshop.

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**Thursday, November 1st - Elementary Group**

**Thursday, November 8th - Teen Group**

Thursday, November 15th - Teen Group  
Thursday, December 6th - Elementary Group  
Thursday, December 13th (Combined Meeting: Elem/Teen Group) (6:00 - 8:30pm)

Please join Casey Cheffo and The Children's Hearing Institute to connect with friends, new and old!!

If you are able to attend: Please RSVP by emailing Melissa at [mwillis@nyee.edu](mailto:mwillis@nyee.edu).



## The Children's Hearing Institute Sponsored Events

The Children's Hearing Institute partnered with the New York Mets to sponsor **Deaf and Hard of Hearing Awareness Day** at CitiField on **Saturday, September 22, 2012**. The Institute provided over 800 free tickets to the patients of the Cochlear Implant/Hearing & Learning Center at NYEE and to several other deaf and hard of hearing programs in the New York City metro area. [Click here to see 2012 event pictures](#)



2012 Deaf & Hard of Hearing Awareness Day,  
CitiField

On Sunday, September 30th, The Children's Hearing Institute sponsored a team for the Hearing Loss Association of America - **Walk4Hearing** in Riverside Park. Patients, friends, and families joined the CHI Walk Team to end the stigma of hearing loss and provide support and resources for hearing loss prevention and awareness programs. [Click here to view our walkers.](#)



Walk4Hearing Photos 2012



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## *Helping Children Move From A World of Silence to A World of Sound!!*

**The Children's Hearing Institute** is a nonprofit organization founded in 1983 by noted Otolaryngologist, Dr. Simon C. Parisier and his wife Elaine. Over the past 29 years, the Institute has dedicated itself to improving the lives of deaf and hard of hearing children and their families.

Hearing loss is America's number one birth defect and leading disability. A startling 34 million Americans have some degree of hearing loss, from mild to severe, and the number is expected to soar in the coming years reaching an astounding 78 million by 2030! With hearing loss increasingly recognized as a public health crisis, we count on philanthropy more than ever to enhance our research capabilities, expand our educational outreach, and further our innovative treatments for children.

To make a tax-deductible contribution in support of our mission - click "[HEAR](#)".



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