



2025 CAA Annual Conference Agenda

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

12:45 - 4:00 PM

Pre-Conference

Tinnitus in Focus: New Insights, Connections, and Clinical Application

Ben Thompson, Au.D., *Treble Health*

Hamid Reza Djalilian, Au.D., ABA, CH-AP, *UC Irvine Medical Center Otolaryngology*

Anusha Yellamsetty, Ph.D., *San Jose State University*

An additional fee is required at registration to attend the Pre-Conference.

4:00 - 6:00 PM

Poster Session

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Welcome Reception

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

6:45 - 7:45 AM

Breakfast / Exhibits

Manufacturer Exhibits Open

7:45 - 8:00 AM

Welcome from CAA 2025 Conference Co-Chairs

Kristine Dabu, Au.D., *Sutter Health*

Jo Powner, Au.D., *Kaiser Permanente Santa Rosa*

8:00 - 8:15 AM

President's Welcome

Melissa Garafalo-Culmer, Au.D., CCC-A, PASC, *California State University, Northridge*

8:15 - 9:15 AM

Hearing Loss and Social Disconnectedness: What Audiologic Interventions Might Benefit Those at Risk?

Brian Taylor, Au.D., *WS Audiology*

9:15 - 9:45 AM

Break / Exhibits

Manufacturer Exhibits Open

9:45 - 10:45 AM

Future Forward AI and Hearing Aid Technology

Dave Fabry, Ph.D., *Starkey*

10:45 AM - 12:15 PM

Legislative Session

Cherise Burns, MPPA, *Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology & Hearing Aid Dispensers Board*

Amy E. White, Au.D., *Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology & Hearing Aid*

Dispensers Board

Charles Sanders, Au.D., *Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology & Hearing Aid*

Dispensers Board

Nick Brokaw, Esq., *Sacramento Advocates*

12:15 - 1:15 PM

Lunch / Exhibits

Manufacturer Exhibits Open

1:15 - 2:15 PM

Sex Differences in Auditory Function: Perspectives from Basic Science and Clinical Research

Celia Zhang, Au.D., Ph.D., *University of the Pacific*

2:15 - 3:15 PM

Innovations in Speech-In-Noise Assessment: The Present and the Future

Matthew Fitzgerald, Ph.D., *Stanford University*

3:15 - 3:45 PM

Break / Exhibits

Manufacturer Exhibits Open

3:45 - 4:45 PM

Little Ears, Big Choices: Exploring Current Pediatric Amplification Trends Through Case Studies

Melissa Tribble, Au.D., M.Ed., *Stanford Medicine Children's Health*

4:45 - 5:45 PM

Increasing Veterans' Access to Audiology Services in Underserved VA Clinics Using Virtually Supported Same Day Cares

Sunny Burdick, Au.D., *VA Northern California Health Care System*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

7:00 - 8:00 AM

Breakfast / Exhibits

Manufacturer Exhibits Open

8:00 - 9:00 AM

Student Research Forum

Age- and Sex-Based Analysis of Speech-In-Noise Performance: Insights from Clinical Population Data

Melissa Wun and Alondra Mercado, *University of the Pacific*

A Training Program for Early-Career Healthcare Professionals to Improve Communication with Hard-of-Hearing Patients

Seline Schinke and Vicky Le, *University of the Pacific*

A Hearing Conservation Educational Program for Early Career Professionals with Potential Occupational Noise Exposure

Vicky Le and Seline Schinke, *University of the Pacific*

9:00 - 10:00 AM

Issues, Innovation and Outcomes: OTC Hearing Aids in 2025

Douglas Beck, Au.D., *EssilorLuxottica Inc*

10:00 - 10:15 AM	Break / Exhibits <i>Manufacturer Exhibits Open</i>
10:15 - 10:25 AM	Conference Reminders and Student Award Presentations
10:25 - 10:30 AM	Platinum Sponsor Talk
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	2025: The Great Debate? Challenges, Opportunities, and the Path Forward for Audiology Amit Gosalia, Au.D., <i>West Valley Hearing Center</i> Leigh Kjeldsen, Au.D., <i>Valley Audiology</i>
12:00 - 1:15 PM	Lunch / Exhibits <i>Manufacturer Exhibits Open</i> Student Lunch Panel Discussion <i>Students must pre-register to participate in the student lunch.</i>
1:15 - 2:45 PM	LGBTQ-Tips: Expanding Access to Audiology Through Inclusive Care for LGBTQ+ Patients J. Riley DeBacker, Au.D., <i>Oregon Health & Science University</i>
2:45 - 3:45 PM	Enhancing Assessment of Auditory Disability Laura Dreisbach, Ph.D., CCC-A, <i>San Diego State University</i> Lydia Abel, <i>San Diego State University</i>
3:45 - 4:00 PM	Break
4:00 - 5:00 PM	Use of Artificial Intelligence Hearing Aids to Identify Fall Risk in Older Adults Matthew Fitzgerald, Ph.D., <i>Stanford University</i> Jwala Rejimon, Au.D., <i>Stanford University</i>