

Certificate Program for Otolaryngology Personnel (CPOP) offered December 5 - 7

For years, our practices have benefitted from the services of OTOtechs to do basic audiometric testing and assist our audiologists. We've found that these staff members allow our audiologists to provide extra time for complicated audiometric and vestibular testing and provide support for other programs. OTOtechs have been college graduates, some already working in our offices in other capacities.

Certificate Program for Otolaryngology Personnel (CPOP)



The CPOP program is a three-phase training program to teach basic hearing evaluation

This 3-phase program is designed to be a cost-effective way to increase office efficiency and provide basic audiology services. OTOtechs allow audiologists to provide advanced hearing and balance services.

Each CPOP registrant must be sponsored by an otolaryngologist who will provide guidance and oversight. The otolaryngologist is responsible for monitoring the OTOtech's progress and specifying the role of the tech in the office.

The 3 phases of training are: 1) self study; 2) hands-on workshop; and, 3) 6-month period of supervised patient testing. The AAO-HNS will issue a Certificate of Completion.

Important Note: In June 2010, CMS clarified the Medicare policy on billing for audiology services. Not all services learned in this course are eligible for Medicare reimbursement in most states. Most commercial insurances do reimburse for services provided by OTOtech staff.

**December 5 - 7, 2014: Providence Park Hospital
Novi, Michigan**

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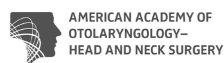
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Registration Deadline: Nov. 21

Fee: \$1500 (includes course materials, text book, and two 1/2-day workshops). Travel & Lodging not included.

<http://www.michiganear.com/conferences-and-courses.html>

Co-coordinators: Eric Sargent, MD (Michigan Ear Institute) & Jeffrey Weingarten, MD (Ear, Nose & Throat Consultants)



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Program Overview

Each CPOP registrant must be sponsored by an otolaryngologist, who will provide guidance and oversight. The sponsoring otolaryngologist is responsible for monitoring the participants progress, providing direction and outlining the technicians role in the office.

Completing all three phases requires a commitment of seven-months to one-year by the participant, depending on the level of experience.

Three Phases

Self-study

Students gain a basic understanding of hearing and vestibular anatomy, physiology, and testing at their own pace. This section entails reading assignments, quizzes, and an open book exam. A passing score on the open book exam is needed for the participant to attend the hands-on workshop.

Hands-on Workshop

Two and a half day hands-on training workshop combines lectures and hands-on demonstrations that build on the reading material. Attendees will perform otoscopic examinations, tuning fork tests, pure tone air and bone conduction tests with and without masking, speech recognition threshold and word recognition tests with and without masking, and tympanometry.

Supervisory Period

Six-month supervisory period begins with the completion of the hands-on workshop. Log books with testing performance procedures are provided to participants to record progress. Each procedure must be performed the indicated number of times during the six-month period. The sponsoring otolaryngologist attests that the sponsored participant can successfully

complete each procedure without assistance. At the end of the six-month period log books are submitted and a certificate of knowledge is awarded by the AAO-HNS.

The \$1,500 program fee includes the program binder (including course outlines, objectives, activities, and additional readings) and attendance for one 2½ day hands-on workshop.

Here are the details:

DATES: December 5 - 7, Room C, Outpatient Building, Providence Park Hospital, Novi, Michigan. (see Attached Map)

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LODGING: Staybridge Suites (see map) (248) 349-4600. \$99/night includes breakfast and shuttle to hospital. Ask for *CPOP RATE*

Contact us if you have other questions!

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