

# CIICA LIVE OUR GLOBAL ADULT SURVEY: EXPLORING THE ISSUES ARISING

**WEDNESDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2022**

**19.00 UK; 20:00 CET; 14:00 EST; 11:00  
PST; 06:00 AEDT; 08:00 NZ  
(90 minutes)**

## **WELCOME TO CIICA LIVE**

**CIICA LIVE Chair**

**Our Survey: Overview of initial results**

**Funding Issues: Latin America challenges**

**CI Services are for life: how?**

**The Power of Peer Mentoring**

**The forgotten piece of the Jigsaw**

**The CI Sleuth: The Technical, Practical and Emotional Journey  
through Cochlear Implant Candidacy**

**Round up – what now.....**

**Leo De Raeve**

**Connie Mayer**

**Hernan Spotti**

**Fatema Jagmaag**

**Carole Willans**

**Stuart McNaughton**

**Kathryn Chlosta**

English captioning will be available and other languages on request.  
We will welcome comments and questions in the chat room and will make time  
for discussion.

### **LEO DE RAEVE**

Leo is a teacher of the deaf, working with many deaf children and their families, and has been involved with cochlear implantation since the very early days. He established ONICI in Belgium as an Information and Education website and organisation for CI and works globally to improve provision. He is now Acting Chair of CIICA, Scientific Advisor EURO-CIU and Director ONICI



### **CONNIE MAYER**

Connie Mayer is a Professor in the Faculty of Education at York University and Academic Co-ordinator of the Teacher Preparation Program in the Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) students. Before this, Connie worked as a teacher of the deaf for more than twenty years in a range of communication settings and her special interests are in language and literacy, CI in children, communication approaches and teacher education. She is currently working on research on literacy outcomes in deaf children, and is leading CIICA's research into adult services after CI.



### **HERNAN SPOTTI**

Professor of Agricultural Engineering.  
Member of the Advisory Council of Disability of the Argentine Foreign Ministry.  
Representative of the Non-Governmental Organisation of the Province of Santa Cruz in the Federal Council of Disability of the Argentine Republic.  
Lecturer of Courses, Talks and Training related to disability.  
Founding member of La Sorderia.  
CI User.



### **FATEMA JAGMAAG**

Fatema is a parent of a CI user, an experienced CI audiologist and speech and language therapist. She is Co Founder of V Connect, India and Founder of Shaba Speech and Hearing Centre, a one stop solution for audiological and speech and language issues. She has begun remote mapping services in Kenya and India.





### **KATHRYN CHLOSTA**

Kathryn Chlosta is on a journey towards getting a cochlear implant. The journey started when she was 10 years old, when her ski-slope high-frequency hearing loss was first detected. Now at 32, she's currently undergoing evaluation for cochlear implant candidacy. The past year entailed her own extensive research in all aspects of the cochlear implant. She will share her findings and observations with the larger CI community and hopes to inspire those who are just embarking on their own Cochlear Implant journey. Originally from the United States, she has been living in the Netherlands for the past 12 years.

### **CAROLE WILLANS**

Carole Willans is a hard of hearing Canadian lawyer who wears a cochlear implant and a hearing aid. Her profound bilateral hearing loss is the result of head trauma at age 4. She has significant experience as a mentor for persons with hearing loss, mostly online and sometimes in-person. Carole was recently elected General Secretary of the International Federation of Hard of Hearing People (IFHOH). She previously served 21 years on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Hard of Hearing Association (CHHA), the last six as its National President.



### **STUART MCNAUGHTON**

Bilateral cochlear implant user with many years of experience of working in the Medical Devices industry. Moving away from the more corporate sphere, Stuart is now more focused on education and wellness and supports families along their journey to hearing by supporting them both in terms of knowledge and mental health.