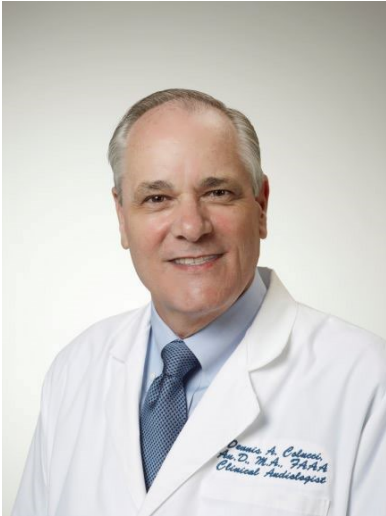


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## *Curriculum Vitae*



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## Expertise and Experience

My knowledge, skills, and abilities come from years of clinical, industrial, educational, and rehabilitative audiology, including twenty-five years of forensic practice. I have an in-depth understanding of evaluating and treating newborn, pediatric, adult, and geriatric patients. In addition, I specialize in advanced site-of-lesion testing for hearing and balance disorders utilizing state-of-the-art diagnostics and electrophysiological assessments.

I performed hundreds of consultations, helping patients with tinnitus and hyperacusis find relief, including those with pain hyperacusis. My hearing care involves fitting thousands of hearing aids, designing sound systems, coordinating bimodal cochlear implant equipment, tinnitus retraining, sound therapy, and critical counseling. In addition, specialty services include testing for central auditory processing disorders and retrocochlear pathology.

My industrial audiology experience comes from the petroleum, nuclear power, and lumber industries. As an industrial audiologist, I have performed hundreds of workers' compensation determinations, assisted in developing OSHA hearing conservation programs, and provided earplug fit-testing, sound level measurements, and noise exposure employee training. My knowledge of fetal noise protection for those at risk of hearing loss, premature birth, and delayed

development is incorporated at Chevron and British Petroleum refineries. In addition, I have experience with police and fire, fitness for duty examinations, amplification, and hearing protection for weapons and heavy equipment. As a Certified Medical Disability Examiner for the Veterans Evaluation Service, I evaluated and opined on over 1000 cases of veterans and soldiers with hearing loss, tinnitus, and auditory processing disorders from noise exposure, head trauma, and other diagnosed conditions.

As an expert witness, I provided testimony or consulted for Fortune 500 companies, municipalities, government agencies, legal practices, and individuals. My specialty areas include noise-induced hearing loss, tinnitus, hyperacusis, OSHA regulations, veterans' medical disability examinations, airbag deployment, blast injuries, TBI, ADA, discrimination, malpractice, and audio-vestibular complications of head and neck injuries.

My teaching experience includes courses at the university level, guest lecturing, and state and national academies. My literary contributions include writing numerous "Hearing Matters" articles in The Hearing Journal and becoming a Google Scholar.

## Education

<b><u>Institution</u></b>	<b><u>Major</u></b>	<b><u>Degree</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>
Central Michigan University Mount Pleasant, MI	Audiology	Doctor of Audiology	2004
The Ohio University Athens, OH	Audiology	Master of Arts	1974
California State University Fullerton, CA	Speech Pathology/ Audiology	Bachelor of Arts	1973
Los Angeles Harbor College Wilmington, CA	Communication	Associate of Arts	1972

## Degree Research

Colucci, DA, (2004). An Evaluation of Benefit Provided by Directional Microphones in Elderly Hearing-Impaired Patients in Their 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Decades of Life. Central Michigan University, Doctoral Thesis.

## Certifications, Memberships, Licensure, and Appointments

2024 – ASA – Member of the Acoustical Society of America.

2012 - 2024 – Contributing Author, "Hearing Matters," The Hearing Journal, Lippincott, Williams, and Wilkins. Over 50 educational and research articles were published on Hearing Science, Acoustics, Head and Neck Injury, Acoustic Trauma, Auditory Perception, Hearing Research, Balance Disorders, and Patient Care.

2010 - Tinnitus Practitioner Specialty Training by the Tinnitus Practitioners Association.

2010 - HEAR – Hearing Education and Awareness for Rockers.

2003 - American Academy of Audiology Scholar.

1999 - Expert Witness for the Speech Pathology and Audiology Licensing Board for the State of California.

1999 - Board Certified in Audiology by the American Board of Audiology, No. 13.

1996 - Board Member – California Academy of Audiology.

1976 - Licensed by the Speech Pathology and Audiology Board in Audiology, License DAU 348.

1976 - Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology, Awarded by the American Speech, Language, and Hearing Association Board of Examiners. (retired)

## Professional Chronology

11/20 to Present – Veterans Evaluation Services – Medical Disability Examiner. Providing independent disability evaluations and assessments for the Veterans Administration for tinnitus, hearing loss, hyperacusis, and auditory processing disorders.

6/07 to 12/20 – Consulting Audiologist for Chevron California – El Segundo and Richmond Refineries and Chevron Shipping, providing evaluations and Worker's Compensation determinations.

6/99 to 10/17 – Consulting Audiologist for the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, San Clemente, CA. Provided workers' compensation evaluations, sound level analysis, and hearing conservation services for employees and the SWAT officers.

11/99 to 4/18 – Auditory Disorders and Balance Laboratory in Laguna Hills, CA. Complete hearing and balance laboratory, including hearing instruments, tinnitus retraining, rehabilitation, electrophysiology, electronystagmography, and central auditory processing evaluation.

5/99 to 8/99 - California State University, Los Angeles, Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology. Adjunct Professor co-teaching a course to graduate students, "Special Topics in Audiology," John Miles, Ph.D. Chair.

2/89 to 11/99 – Practiced at Audiology Associates locations in Irvine and Laguna Hills, CA.

1/90 to 11/94 - Biogenesis Environmental Services Inc., Austin, TX, and Irvine, CA. Executive Vice-President of Operations. Responsible for project management for environmental waste, bacterial application, and acoustics projects in the United States, Mexico, Venezuela, Taiwan, and China. James A. Wind, President.

6/89 to 4/90 - Kaiser Permanente, Harbor City, CA. Responsible for developing a pediatric and adult audio-vestibular diagnostic center. JoAnne Higa, MD. ENT. Department Chair; Bonnie Ruttgers, MS, CCC/A.

8/87 to 2/89 - Lawrence Chusid, MD, JD, Los Angeles, CA. Clinical Audiologist/Marketing Coordinator - Design and develop clinical capabilities to perform complete diagnostic Audiology for medical/legal cases in workers' compensation and personal injury.

1/85 to 1/87 - Sound Acoustic Systems, Inc., Mission Viejo, CA. Leonard Cohen, President. Vice President, Research and Development - Responsible for developing acoustic/electronic hearing devices and managing all projects and personnel.

1/76 to 1/86 - Saddleback Hearing and Speech Center, Inc., Laguna Hill, CA. Provided diagnostic and rehabilitation services for communicatively handicapped children and adults. Developed the first private practice in Orange County to have a complete audio-vestibular laboratory in 1976. Directed business operations for the clinic, which became a state-certified "Rehabilitation Agency" in 1980.

8/78 to 6/79 - Artesia Medical Clinic, Artesia, CA Brian Brantner, MD, Consulting Audiologist. Established and managed the clinic's first complete audio-vestibular laboratory. Managed the daily operations and developed in-service training for staff physicians and nurses.

9/78 to 2/79 - California State University, Fullerton, CA. Michael Metz, Ph.D., Audiology Chairmen. Adjunct Professor teaching graduate and undergraduate students a course on clinical diagnostic testing, interpretation, and equipment functions.

9/75 to 9/76 - Filmore Schiller, MD, Euclid, Ohio. Audio-vestibular consultant. Established and developed a full diagnostic office service for Otologists and Neurologists in the greater Cleveland area.

8/74 to 9/75 - Albemarle Regional Speech and Hearing Center, Elizabeth City, NC. Audiologist - Directed and developed clinical and industrial services in the 10-county Albemarle Region of North Carolina. Funded by the US Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

## Professional Presentations

2025 – Course – “A Forensic Audiology Airbag Case.” American Academy of Audiology Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana.

2024 – Course – “Principles and Methods in Forensic Audiology,” California Academy of Audiology Annual Convention, Irvine, California.

2024 - Courses - "Principles of Forensic Audiology and Applications of Forensic Audiology," American Academy of Audiology Annual Conventions, Atlanta, Georgia.

2023 - Course - "Forensic Audiology," American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Annual Convention, Boston, Massachusetts.

2022 - Course - "Forensic Audiology," American Academy of Audiology Annual Convention, St. Louis, Missouri.

2020 – California Academy of Audiology – “Facts, Current Trends, and Research in Cannabis,” Certified Continuing Education for the State of California Licensing Board, the American Academy of Audiology, and Tier 1 Continuing Education for the American Board of Audiology.

2010 – British Petroleum US. Health Conference – Fetal Hearing Protection in Reproductive Health, Houston, Texas.

2009 - Men's Health Magazine – Questions and Answers – Ear Protection at Concerts.

2008 – MD News - Idiopathic Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss. MD. News, Neurology Edition, Vol.3, No. (6), pp. 16.

2008 – World Health News Today. The Health Channel 31. "Noise-Induced Hearing Loss."

2006 – Guest Speaker: "Auditory Processing and Ear-to-Brain Maturity," California State University, Fullerton, Education Department, Roxi Kushner, MA, Coordinator.

2004 – Course – "Research in Hearing Aid Benefits with Directional Microphones," American Academy of Audiology Annual Convention, Washington, DC.

2002 – Course – "Balance Dysfunction in the Elderly," Irvine Regional Medical Center, Senior Care Series, Irvine, California.

2001 - Educational Presentation - "The Aided Voice Evaluation," The House Ear Institute, Audiology Department, Los Angeles, California. Donna Cody, MA, Education Coordinator.

1999 - Courses - "Effects of Environmental Acoustics on Hearing Performance Counseling" and "Aided Voice Evaluation," American Academy of Audiology, Chicago, Illinois.

1997 - Course - "Effects of Environmental Acoustic on Hearing Performance Counseling," American Academy of Audiology, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Michael Dennis, Ph.D. Education Chair.

1996 - Course - "Environmental Acoustics in Audiology Counseling" and "Programmable Hearing Instruments and Performance Rehabilitation," Renate Johnson, MA CCC/A President, Association of Houston Audiologists, Annual Meeting.

1994 - Special Instructor for the Environmental Fellowship Program. Instructed Engineers in the area of Environmental Acoustics and Biodegradation. The US. Asian Environmental Partnership, US Department of Commerce, San Francisco, CA. Diane J. Norman, Director.

1994 - Course - "Material Management Recovery Programming," Industrial Environmental Association Annual Convention, San Diego, CA.

1990 - Guest Speaker - Annual Meeting of The Fellows of the Howard House Foundation, House Ear Clinic. "Clinical and Rehabilitative Considerations in Hearing Instrument Fittings." Sponsored by Siemens Hearing Instruments, Richard Scott, VP.

1988 - Co-Instructor for a 13-city national speaking tour - "Signal to Noise Ratio and ASP Technology." Presented information on psychoacoustics, auditory system function in noise, and the design and usability of amplification with ASP circuitry for Hearing Technology, Inc.; David Smriga, M.A., Host.

1988 - Presentation - "Trends in Hearing Conservation Management," The City of Los Angeles Occupational Health and Safety Division (Police and Fire), 1401 W. Sixth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017; Barbara Smith, R.N., Coordinator.

## Publications

1. Colucci DA (2025). Forensic Audiology, Chapter 22. In Robert Traynor & Brian Taylor (Eds.), Strategic Practice Management, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, pp. 797-819.
2. Traynor RM, Gordon GG, Colucci DA (2024). The Case for Hearing Protection Device Fit Checking. Workplace Material Handling & Safety, Hearing and Noise, RDG Media, Inc., October. <https://www.workplacepub.com/workplace-safety/hearing-noise-safety-2/the-case-for-hearing-protection-device-fit-checking/>
3. Colucci DA (2024). ASHA Recognizes Changemakers in Forensic Audiology. The Hearing Journal, March, 77(3):7-11. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0001007704.80181.2e

4. Colucci DA (2023). Headaches and Tinnitus. *The Hearing Journal*, July, 76(07):14,15,20. doi:10.1097/01.HJ.0000946104.95004.4b
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6. Colucci DA (2021). Becoming a Forensic Audiologist: What You Need to Know. *The Hearing Journal*, July 74(7):26,27. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000766256.41306.e3
7. Colucci DA (2021). Driving Risk Among Seniors with Hearing and Vision Loss. *The Hearing Journal*, January, 74(1):46,47. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000725104.64093.87 6
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14. Colucci DA (2019). Benefits of Annual Hearing Aid Exams to Patients and Practice. *The Hearing Journal*, February, 72(2):40,41. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000553585.92595.e9
15. Colucci DA (2019). Cannabis and Hearing Care: Hearing Loss and Tinnitus. *The Hearing Journal*, August, 72(8):43,44,46. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000579600.90915.75
16. Colucci DA (2019). Cannabis and Hearing Care: History, Legalization, and Biochemistry. *The Hearing Journal*, July, 72(7):44,45,46. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000575388.97345.12
17. Colucci DA (2019). Cannabis Precautions for Early Life Stages. *The Hearing Journal*, November, 72(11):44,46. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000612600.04361.37

18. Colucci DA (2018). Bilateral Temporal Lobe Lesions: A Case Study. *The Hearing Journal*, December, 71(12):44,46,47,48. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000550401.28013.e7
19. Colucci DA (2018). Central Presbycusis Counseling. *The Hearing Journal*, April, 71(4):44,45. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000532400.06053.01
20. Colucci DA (2018). Fitting Complications of Small and Distorted Ear Canals. *The Hearing Journal*, August, 71(8):44,46. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000544494.00708.a1
21. Colucci DA (2018). Passing the Aided Hearing in Noise Test for Hearing-Critical Jobs. *The Hearing Journal*, October, 71(10):52,53. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000547408.97702.55
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24. Colucci DA (2017). 6 Steps to Embed RIC Hearing Aids. *The Hearing Journal*, August, 79(8):42,44. doi: 10.1097/01.HJ.0000524327.95376.ac
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