



Harriet Jacobster, AuD, CHC, CMT, CFAS

Expert Witness, Audiologist

Specializing in Tinnitus, Noise Induced Hearing Loss, Military Hearing Loss

CONTACT DETAILS

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CORE SKILLS

Results-driven

Witness statements

Investigation

Diagnosis

Patient assessment

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Dr. Jacobster is an Award-winning Audiologist with 40 years of experience in advanced diagnostics and treatment. With specialty training in Tinnitus and Cognition and being VA-trained in Military Noise Exposure, she has served as an Expert Witness on several cases dealing with Military Hearing Loss, Faulty Hearing Protection, Personal Injury, and Malpractice. She has been in Private Practice since 2007. She is also a Certified Health Coach, Master Trainer, and Functional Aging Specialist.

CAREER SUMMARY

Oct 2007 - Present Lyric Audiology, New York
Owner/Audiologist

Private Practice. Provider of on-site and contract audiological services to medical facilities, schools, and the Veterans Administration. Serve both pediatric and mature populations. Designed, developed, and maintained all aspects of a private business. Expert Witness for several Major Legal Cases involving 3M Earplugs and several Personal Injury Cases.

Feb 2009 - Jun 2010 Maxim Government Staffing
Contract Audiologist for VA Medical Centers

Contract Audiologist for Veterans Administration Medical Centers Compensation and Pension (C&P) Examiner for audiology.
Complete audiological, hearing aid, and tinnitus evaluations and rehabilitation.

EDUCATION

AuD. Doctor of Audiology, 2000 | Nova Southeastern University | Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Title of Professional Research Project: "The Efficacy of Chirp Stimuli in Notched Noise to Obtain Frequency-Specific Auditory Brainstem Responses"

Certificates in Advanced Tinnitus Diagnosis and Treatment | Jastreboff Tinnitus & Hyperacusis Center, Maryland

May 2018 Tinnitus Retraining Therapy for Management of Tinnitus and Hyperacusis
Oct. 2019 Tinnitus Retraining Therapy for Management of Decreased Sound Tolerance
Oct. 2019. Advanced Class on Tinnitus Retraining Therapy,

PUBLICATIONS & PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING

PRESENT Peer Reviewer, On-Line Journal of Audiology, medcraveonline.org
Review Panel, The Internet Journal of Allied Health Sciences and Practice
Consultant, Guidepoint Global Advisors/AlphaSights

2011. Authored numerous articles on Hearing loss for local newspapers and magazines

2011 Articles on Tinnitus for the American Tinnitus Association

2009-10 Blogger, Better Hearing Institute: www.betterhearing.org

2008-09 "Expert" Audiologist, AllExperts.com

2009 "Ototoxicity" The NYS Reporter, Hearing Loss Association of America, NYS Chapter

2005-06 Care2Learn, online HealthNow: Author/Peer Reviewer, Continuing Education

2002-3 "Cochlear Implants and Music Recognition." In collaboration with Ali Danesh, Ph.D.
Research Project at Florida Atlantic University

PRESENTATIONS & LECTURES

- 2022 "Hearing Loss and Tinnitus: VA Disability Claims and Appeals" presented at the Annual Training Meeting of the NYS Division of Veterans Services
- 2021 "Healthy Hearing and You" Bi-Monthly Online-Class Sponsored by the NYS Department of Aging
- 2021 Three Presentations in Fulfillment of NYS Licensing Requirements, New York State Annual Convention:
"Infection Control for the Hearing Healthcare Professional"
"NYS and Federal Laws and Regulations"
"Looping and Other Assistive Listening Devices"
- 2020 "Interdisciplinary Approach to Tinnitus Evaluation and Treatment" NYSSLHA Annual Convention
- 2018 "Know your VA Disability Rights: Hearing Loss and Tinnitus", Orange County NYS VSO
- 2017 "Communicating with the Hearing-Impaired during Emergency Situations" Orange County NY Medical Reserve Corps
- 2016 "Incorporating Tele-Audiometry into Your Practice Using the tele-iAudiometer"
Poster Presentation, National Convention Amer Speech Language Hearing Association.
- 2010 "Ototoxicity: Your Ears on Drugs" Presentation to HLAA Westchester, NY
- 2010 "Living Better with Hearing Loss," Member, Panel Discussion. HLAA, Westchester, NY
- 2009 "Adapting to Hearing Loss" North Salem NY Senior Center
- 2008 "Hearing Aid Technology" Question and Answer lecture, HLAA Westchester.
- 2008 "Healthy Hearing": Series of Five Lectures presented at the Somers, NY Public Library
- 2008 "An Evening with An Audiologist" Presented at Chapel Hill Homeowners Association
2006. "Aural Rehabilitation: More than Just Lip Reading." SHHH Chapter Boca Raton, Florida
2001. "The Efficacy of Using Chirp Stimuli in Notched Noise to Obtain Frequency-Specific Auditory Brainstem Responses"
Poster Presentation National Convention AAA
- 2001 "The Best Fit for Your Hearing Loss" Panelist, SHHH Chapter, Delray Beach, Florida
- 2000 "Hearing Loss and Dizziness in the Patient with Traumatic Brain Injury." Pinecrest, FL
- 2000 "Digital Hearing Aids: Are They for Everyone?" SHHH Chapter, Boca Raton, Florida

AFFILIATIONS and MEMBERSHIPS

- 2023-Present International Sports Sciences Association – Certified Member
- 2021-Present National Society of Health Coaches – Certified Member
- 1992-Present American Speech Language Hearing Association, Lifetime Certified Member
- 2021-2022. Member, New York State Speech Language Hearing Association
- 2016 Member, ASHA Special Interest Group (SIG) 18 – Telepractice
- 2013-Present Tinnitus Support Counselor, American Tinnitus Association
- 2013 Working Group for QA and PQRI, American Academy of Audiology
- 2008-2013 Professional Advisor, Hearing Loss Association of America, Westchester, NY Chapter
- 2010-2013 Practice Compliance Committee, Group Leader, American Academy of Audiology
- 2004-2014 Fellow, American Academy of Audiology
- 2010-13 Membership Committee, Volunteer Member, American Academy of Audiology
- 2010-13. Resume Review Sub-Committee, Chair. American Academy of Audiology
- 2004-10 American Board of Audiology, Board Certification
- 2004-06 Committee for Continuing Education, American Academy of Audiology
- 2006-10 Marketing Committee, American Board of Audiology,
- 2003-04 Academy of Dispensing Audiologists, Associate Fellow
- 2003-04 New York State Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Member
- 2003-04 Self-Help for the Hard of Hearing, Professional Member
- 2003-04. Association of Adult Musicians with Hearing Loss: Member, Board of Directors, Chair of Advocacy Committee
- 2004 Association of Medical Professionals with Hearing Loss, Co-Chair, Fundraising Committee
- 2002 Nominee, Member-at-Large, American Board of Audiology
- 2002 Founding Member, Massachusetts Academy of Audiology

1999 National Association of Future Doctors of Audiology, Member
1997-98 Florida Speech Language and Hearing Association, Member
1994 Advisory Committee in Audiology, American Speech Language Hearing Association
1994 Affiliate, Special Interest Group 6: "Hearing and Hearing Disorders, Physiology and
Psychoacoustics." American Speech Language Hearing Association
1993-94 Allied Health Staff, JFK Medical Center, Atlantis, Florida

AWARDS

Winner, Readers' Choice Award Winner Best Hearing Aid Clinic, Mid-Hudson Valley NY 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021,
2022, 2023

Winner, Readers' Choice Award Winner Best Audiologist, Mid-Hudson Valley, NY 2023

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology, American Speech Language Hearing Association New York State Licenses

NYS Audiology #001314

NYS Hearing Aid Dispenser 14000018600

Florida Audiology License #AY2456

Certified Health Coach, National Society of Health Coaches Mindfulness-Based Cognitive Therapy Practitioner –

Certificate Certified Master Personal Trainer, ISSA

Certified Functional Aging Specialist – Functional Aging Institute, 2023