Welcome to a special alumni edition of The Speech and Hearing Herald, the official newsletter of the UNCG Speech and Hearing Center! In operation since 1967, the Center operates as part of an accredited training program for speech-language pathology and audiology graduate students. As a result, citizens of the Piedmont Triad and beyond have benefited by receiving quality clinical services supervised by state-licensed professionals who also are nationally-certified and recognized as leaders in the field. Because the field of speech and hearing is constantly evolving, it can be difficult to stay informed of the latest developments. This newsletter serves as a way to share with you new clinical services and other important announcements. Another way to keep up to date is to “like us” on Facebook (see reverse side for direct links).

UNCG Speech and Hearing Center is a Medicare Part B provider for covered audiology services only. Medicare requires a doctor’s referral for evaluations that are medically necessary, such as for the purpose of diagnosing hearing loss and related disorders (tinnitus). Contact us at (336) 334-5939 with questions or to request paperwork be mailed to you. For faster service, all new patient forms also are available our website (http://csd.uncg.edu/shc/forms).

UNCG Alumni! UNCG Speech and Hearing Center is open to the public and does not require a referral for service. We are proud to serve many of our own faculty, staff, retirees, and alumni and believe the greatest compliment is a kind referral. Even if you are not in need of our services, please let your family and friends know we are here. We will take good care of them!

FREE EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR FOR UNCG ALUMNI!

Date: Tuesday, March 11, 2014
Time: 10:00 - 11:30 am
Place: 3rd Floor Ferguson Building (UNCG Campus)

When was the last time you had your hearing checked?

Hearing loss affects 37 million Americans — expected to grow to 80 million in the next 10 years — and ranks as the 3rd most common medical condition in America. Hearing loss can be detrimental to communication, essential daily activities, and your social life. To learn more about hearing loss and the latest advances in hearing aid technology, please join us for a free educational seminar presented in partnership with Siemens Hearing Instruments, Inc. Call (336) 334-5939 to register (limited seating is available). Convenient parking is available adjacent to the Ferguson building.
Speech-Language Services

The UNCG Speech and Hearing Center provides diagnostic and intervention services for children and adults from preschool to seniors with speech, language, and reading difficulties. In children and adolescents, problems may arise from delays in acquiring speech and language skills, learning differences, or injury to the brain. In adults, communication difficulties may arise from stroke, dementia, learning differences, brain trauma, or a neurological disease such as Parkinson’s. The Center provides:

- comprehensive diagnostic assessment that will identify specific language and communication deficits or developmental delays in listening, speaking, and reading skills.
- a written diagnostic report of findings with recommendations for clients, parents, care-providers, and teachers.
- face-to-face discussion of the results of the evaluation and clinical interpretation of the findings.
- a treatment plan with tailored goals and skilled interventions for remediation based upon research-based intervention approaches.
- individual therapy provided by skilled graduate students supervised by an ASHA-certified speech-language pathologist with expertise in the area.
- a progress report informing clients of progress toward achieving intervention goals.

Speech-Language Services

UNCG audiologists are doctoral-level professionals who provide comprehensive diagnostic and rehabilitative audiology services. We specialize in innovative and hard-to-find services including:

- **Tinnitus, Hyperacusis, and/or Misophonia Evaluation and Intervention** services, which are provided by professionals with extensive training in a variety of management approaches. The first of its kind in North Carolina, the Tinnitus and Hyperacusis Clinic at UNCG offers tinnitus retraining therapy, SoundCure®, and the Neuromonics® Tinnitus Treatment.

- The **Listening Lab** is a multi-disciplinary program for children and adults with auditory processing disorder designed to improve the brain’s ability to process auditory information, thereby strengthening building blocks for oral communication. UNCG is proud to be among the first in the area to offer the integrated listening systems (iLS) program to this underserved population.

- **Dangerous Decibels®** is an international program introduced at UNCG to educate children and adults about the dangers of noise-induced hearing loss through classroom presentations and outreach events in the community. Our audiologists recognize that prevention is the best approach to managing hearing loss.

For more information about our speech and language or hearing services, please contact us at (336) 334-5939.