

## **Hearing Loss in Extreme Ages “A Hidden Disability” Multi-specialty seminar & Conferences – full day**

**Initiative by Rotary  
& Saint-Joseph University of Beirut (Day 7 Operation)**

**March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023  
Campus of Innovation and Sports – CIS  
Francois Bassil Auditorium**

- **Morning Session 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM.**

1. **Specialized Scientific conference addressed to medical related specialties**

- a. **8:00 - 8:30:** Welcome and registration
- b. **8:30 - 9:00:** Introduction & welcome Chairperson  
Moderator Pr Kamal KALLAB (WMG and USJ, Lebanon Chair)
  - Dr Rami SARKIS (2452 WMG District Chair)
  - Pr Grace ABI RIZK (WMG - Operation 7eme jour, USJ)
  - Georges AZAR (Rotary district 2452 Governor)
  - Josie NORFOLK (Rotary International medical Action Group)
- c. **9:00 - 11:00:**
  - Moderator Dr Elie ETER
  - Pathophysiology of hearing loss at extremes of age - Dr Charlie HANNA, ENT specialist, Eye and EAR Hospital, Lebanon (20mn)
  - ENT point of view - Dr. Elie ETER, ENT specialist, Hotel-Dieu de France Hospital, Lebanon (20mn)
  - Neurologist point of view - Dr. Sandra SABBAGH pediatric neurologist, Hotel-Dieu Hospital, Lebanon (20mn)
  - Recent advances in hearing loss treatments - Brent EDWARDS PHD - USA-Australia. (20mn)
  - Panel Discussion
- d. **Entertainment (Blind and Deaf School Choir) & Coffee Break 11:00 – 11:30**

e. **11:30 – 13:00**

Moderator Rachel FIANI

- Audio prosthetist point of view - Hani HOURI, Houri Hearing, Lebanon (15mn)
- Speech therapist point of view - Marie Ange AZOURY, Speech Therapist, Institut Supérieur d'orthophonie - USJ (15mn)
- Orthopedagogue point of view - Stephanie RBEIZ, Orthopedagogue – USJ (15mn)
- Psychologist point of view - Charlotte KHALIL – Psychologist and Board member at the learning center of the Deaf (15mn)
- Current trends in Deaf education - Jean IRWIN, Educator, Literacy for the Deaf California – USA (15 mn)
- Open discussion (15mn)

- **Afternoon Session 14:00 – 16:00**

2. **Public target conference:**

**Panel conference addressed to Concerned Public, dedicated Associations, Affected Patients, families and all related specialties.**

Moderators Dr Rami SARKIS & Dr Youmna ABBOUD

Panelists Pr kamal KALLAB, Pr Grace ABI RIZK, Dr Adel AKL, Dr Joseph RACHKIDI, Dr Nazir El KHATIB, Fouad SAAB, Hyam FAKHOURY (Ministry of social affairs representative)

- Introduction MWG & Day 7 Operation -USJ (*Opération 7eme jour*)
- Enhancing Resilient Deaf Youth in South Africa through Film and Photography, Robyn SWANNACK, National Coordinator, Hi Hopes Deaf Mentors Programme, University of the Witwatersrand | Johannesburg, South Africa
- “Can we prevent hearing loss?” - Dr. Nazir KHATIB
- Panel discussion (Open Q&R)

**16:00**

End of Event and Greetings - Pr Kamal KALLAB