

SAMUEL N. BITTEL, A.U.D.

EDUCATION

2004 – 2008	Nova Southeastern University	Davie, FL
	<i>Doctor of Audiology (highest honors)</i>	
2000 – 2002	Fort Hays State University	Hays, KS
	<i>Bachelor of Arts in Sociology</i>	
1996 – 2001	Fort Hays State University	Hays, KS
	<i>Bachelor of Science in Psychology</i>	
2000 – 2002	Fort Hays State University	Hays, KS
	<i>Certification in Interpersonal Relations</i>	

WORK EXPERIENCE

11/16 – current	Hearing & Balance Specialists	Lee's Summit, MO
	<i>Owner, Audiologist</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Duties include: Supervise and direct support staff; program planning, marketing, budgeting; evaluation and management of patients with disorders of the equilibrium and hearing systems	
06/08 – 11/16	Associated Audiologists	Shawnee Mission, KS
	<i>Director of Vestibular Services</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Duties included: created program; supervise students and audiologists; supervise and direct support staff; program planning, marketing, budgeting; evaluation and management of patients with disorders of the equilibrium and hearing systems	
06/07 – 06/08	American Institute of Balance	Largo, FL
	<i>Audiology Extern</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Duties included: evaluation and management of patients with disorders of the equilibrium and hearing systems; professional education	
01/07 – 06/07	National Balance Center	Miami, FL
	<i>Audiology Assistant</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Duties included: audiologic and vestibular testing, interpretation, and diagnosis through audiometric, immittance, vestibular auto-rotational, computerized dynamic posturography, and video/electro-nystagmography	
08/05 – 06/07	Nova Southeastern University	Davie, FL
	<i>Research Assistant – Audiology</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Duties included: general departmental research activities, creation and implementation of various research projects, data acquisition/analysis, and presentation/publication of research findings	

WORK EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

12/04 – 08/05 Pediatrix Medical Group Fort Lauderdale, FL
Newborn Hearing Screener – Broward General Hospital

- Duties included: auditory brainstem testing of all newborn infants within nursery and neonatal intensive care units; parent education and counseling; data management and tracking

01/03 – 07/04 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ellis Co. Hays, KS
Case Manager

- Duties included: volunteer and client intake, supervision, and screening; fund raising; client/volunteer recruitment; data management and tracking

PUBLICATIONS

Bittel, S.N. (in progress). The diversified audiology practice, in *Audiology Today*, March/April issue.

Bittel, S.N. (in progress). Interpretation, Report Writing, and Triage, in *Balance Disorders in Adults and Children: Evaluation and Management of Vestibular Disorders*, R.E. Gans ed, Thieme Publishers, chapter 24.

Roberts, R.A., Bittel, S.N., Gans, R.E. (2016). Positional nystagmus in patients evaluated for dizziness and imbalance, *Advances in Otolaryngology*, 1-10.

Bittel, S.N. (2015). What audiologists need to know about superior canal dehiscence syndrome. *Audiology Practices- Publication of the Academy of Doctors of Audiology, Winter issue.*

Bittel, S.N. (2012). A window into superior canal dehiscence syndrome. *KSHA Connection*, 26, 3.

Bittel, S.N. (2011). Benign paroxysmal positional vertigo: A primer. *KSHA Connection*, 25, 5.

Bittel, S.N. (2010). What you need to know about audiology assistants. *KSHA Connection*, 24, 5.

Bittel, S.N., Freeman, B.A., & Kemker, B.E. (2008). Investigation of toy noise exposures in children. *Seminars in Hearing*, 29, 10-18.

Bittel, S.N., & Freeman, B.A. (2007). Toy noise investigation. *Audiology Today*, 19, 24-25.

Bittel, S.N., & Freeman, B.A. (2006). Toy noise investigation. *Audiology Advocate*, 8, 7-8.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS- SELECTED

Bittel, S.N. (April 2025). Invited presentation: *Migraines in the audiology clinic. What you need to know.* Joint Defense Veterans Audiology Conference 2025, Atlantic City, NJ.

Bittel, S.N. (March 2025). Invited workshop: *Cerumen management workshop: Navigating your way out of a sticky situation.* American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2025, New Orleans, LA.

Bittel, S.N. (February 2025). Invited presentation: *Audiology evaluation and management in the 21st Century.* Mid-South Conference on Communicate Disorders, Memphis, TN.

Bittel, S.N. (July 2024). Invited presentation: *Migraines in the audiology clinic. What you need to know.* eAudiology webinar.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS- SELECTED (CONTINUED)

- Bittel, S.N. (June 2024). Invited presentation: *Migraines in the audiology clinic. What you need to know*. Balance Frontiers: NSU Vestibular Symposium, Davie, FL.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2024). Invited workshop: *Cerumen management workshop: Navigating your way out of a sticky situation*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2024, Atlanta, GA.
- Bittel, S.N. & Bittel, B.L. (April 2024). *Migraines in the audiology clinic. What you need to know*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2024. Atlanta, GA.
- Bittel, S.N. & Bittel, B.L. (September 2023). Invited presentation: *Migraines in the audiology clinic. What you need to know*. Kansas Speech-Hearing Association annual conference 2023. Overland Park, KS.
- Bittel, S.N. (May 2023). Invited workshop: *Cerumen management workshop: Navigating your way out of a sticky situation*. Lurie Children's Hospital- Pediatric Audiology Department, Chicago, IL.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2023). Invited workshop: *Cerumen management workshop: Navigating your way out of a sticky situation*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2023, Seattle, WA.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2022). Invited workshop: *Cerumen management workshop: Navigating your way out of a sticky situation*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2022, St. Louis, MO.
- Bittel, S.N. & Bogle, J.M. (June 2021). Invited presentation: *An Afternoon of Vestibular Disorders*. Missouri Academy of Audiology, online.
- Bittel, S.N. (September 2019). Invited presentation: *Vestibular Testing and Management in the 21st Century*. Kansas Speech-Hearing Association- Annual conference 2019, Topeka, KS
- Bittel, S.N., et al. (June 2019). Invited presentation: *Teaching vestibular assessment & rehabilitation across the lifespan in the classroom & clinic*. University of Pittsburgh- 8th Biennial Audiology Teaching Conference. Pittsburgh, PA.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2019). Invited workshop: *Cerumen management workshop: Navigating your way out of a sticky situation*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2019, Columbus, OH
- Bittel, S.N. (October, 2018). Invited presentation: *Unraveling the mystery of dizziness and imbalance*. Texas Academy of Audiology, The Woodland, Tx.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2018). Invited presentation: *Vestibular grand rounds*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2018, Nashville, TN.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2018). Invited workshop: *Cerumen management workshop: Navigating your way out of a sticky situation*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2018, Nashville, TN.
- Bittel, S.N. (October 2017). Invited online course: *Cerumen management: Methods, techniques, and regulations*. Student Academy of Audiology- e-Audiology webinar.
- Bittel, S.N. (June 2017). Invited presentation: *Unraveling the mystery of dizziness and imbalance*. Connecticut Academy of Audiology, Hartford, Connecticut.
- Bittel, S.N. & Bittel, B.L. (April 2017). *Central and peripheral causes of dizziness*. Kansas Association of Osteopathic Medicine- Annual Conference 2017, Overland Park, KS.
- Bittel, S.N., Roberts, R.A., Gans, R.E, et al (April 2017). Invited Presentation: *The building blocks of successful balance practice: Clinical and balance strategies that work*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2017, Indianapolis, IN.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS- SELECTED (CONTINUED)

- Bittel, S.N. (October 2016). Invited presentation: *Evaluation and management of adults with vestibular disorders- Clinical pathways approach*. Alabama Academy of Audiology, Miramar Beach, FL.
- Bittel, S.N., Roberts, R.A., Gans, R.E., et al. (April 2016). *The building blocks of successful balance practice: Clinical and balance strategies that work*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2016, Phoenix, AZ.
- Bittel, S.N. (December 2015). Invited online course- *Cerumen management- Methods, techniques, and regulations*. American Academy of Audiology- e-Audiology webinar.
- Bittel, S.N. (November 2014). Invited workshop: *Workshop- Evaluation and management of children and adults with vestibular disorders*. Academy of Doctors of Audiology National Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
- Bittel, S.N. (September 2013). Invited presentation: *Evaluation and management of children and adults with vestibular disorders*. Presented at the Heuser Hearing Institute symposium, Louisville, KY.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2012). Invited presentation: *Vestibular grand rounds*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2012, Boston, MA.
- Bittel, S.N. (January 2012). Invited presentation: *Evaluation and management of dizziness and disequilibrium*. Presented at the University of Kansas Neurology and Neurosurgery grand rounds.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2011). Invited presentation: *Vestibular grand rounds*. American Academy of Audiology- Audiology Now 2011, Chicago, IL.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2011). Invited presentation: *Evaluation and management of patients with dizziness and disequilibrium*. Presented at the annual Missouri Speech-Hearing Association conference.
- Bittel, S.N., Steele, T.C. (March 2011). Invited presentation: *Dizziness in hearing impaired patients: What you need to know about the vestibular system*. Presented at the Kansas Hearing Society's annual conference.
- Bittel, S.N. (April 2009). *Assessment and management of patients with dizziness and imbalance*. Presented at Cushing Memorial Hospital's medical staff meeting.
- Bittel, S.N. (March 2009). *Assessment and management of patients with dizziness and imbalance*. Presented at Kansas City Society of Audiology Winter meeting.
- Bittel, S.N. (November 2008). *Assessment and management of patients with dizziness and imbalance*. Presented at Saint Luke's South professional grand rounds.
- Bittel, S.N., Freeman, B.A., & Kemker, B.E. (October 2006). *Investigation of toy noise exposures in children*. Paper presented at Noise-Induced Hearing Loss in Children at Work & Play national conference, Cincinnati, OH.
- Bittel, S.N., Freeman, B.A., & Kemker, B.E. (August 2006). *Investigation of toy noise exposures in children*. Paper presented at Florida Academy of Audiology, Orlando, FL.

AWARDS

- Alpha Eta Honors Society
- 2007 Chancellor's Scholarship in Audiology – Nova Southeastern University
- 2006 Chancellor's Scholarship in Audiology – Nova Southeastern University
- 2006 Student Scholarship – Florida Academy of Audiology
- 2005 Weiser Scholar in Audiology – Nova Southeastern University
- 2005 Chancellor Scholar in Audiology – Nova Southeastern University
- Chancellor's honor roll for every semester in my doctoral program

AWARDS (CONTINUED)

- Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society member
- Silver Scholarship – Fort Hays State University
- Award of Excellence – Fort Hays State University
- Nominee- Outstanding alumni award Nova Southeastern University

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Academy of Audiology: Fellow
- American Balance Society
- American Board of Audiology: Board Certified
- American-Speech-Language-Hearing Association: CCC-A
- Kansas-Speech-Language-Hearing Association
- Vestibular Disorders Association- Professional Member

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- APSO- cerumen removal standards group
- American Board of Audiology- subject matter expert for vestibular certification
- Audiology Today- Associate Editor (2025-current)
- Ear and Hearing journal- peer reviewer
- Journal of the American Academy of Audiology- peer reviewer
- American Academy of Audiology- Executive Board Member (2018-2021)
- American Academy of Audiology Professional Development Committee
- American Academy of Audiology Professional Quality Assurance Committee
- American Academy of Audiology Audit Committee
- American Academy of Audiology Membership Dues Taskforce
- Audiology Now 2023 Learning Module Committee
- Audiology Now 2017 Learning Module Committee
- Audiology Now 2016 Manufacturer Session Committee
- Audiology Now 2013 Featured Session Committee
- Audiology Now 2013 Exhibitor Course and Industry Update Committee
- Audiology Now 2011 Learning Module Committee
- Audiology Now 2010 Learning Lab Committee
- KS Speech and Hearing Association- Audiology chair for 2010 state conference
- KS Speech and Hearing Association- Audiology chair for 2023 state conference
- KS Speech and Hearing Association- Audiology Professional Issues V. President
- KS Speech and Hearing Association- Audiology Vice President (2010-2012)
- KS Speech and Hearing Association- Work Group Chair- Single Licensure
- University of KS Medical Center- Ad Hoc graduate faculty member in Audiology
- University of KS Medical Center- Adjunct professor for neurology department

COURSES TAUGHT

- Vestibular Systems/Disorders (AUD 818)- University of KS- (2010-2023)
- Auditory Brainstem Response Interpretation- University of KS- Neurology
- Advanced Vestibular Evaluation and Rehab (AUD 832) – AT Still Univ (2018)
- Vestibular Evaluation Procedures (AUD 831) – AT Still Univ (2018)

STATE LICENSURE

- Kansas – Audiology
- Kansas – Dispensing and Fitting Hearing Aids
- Missouri – Audiology

HOSPITAL AFFILIATIONS

- Saint Luke's East Hospital- Professional Staff
- Saint Luke's South Hospital- Professional Staff
- Advent Health Hospital- Professional Staff

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

- Americorps member: I have completed more than 1,000 hours of community service work through Americorps. I functioned as a team leader and helped with the creation and implementation of an after-school program for "at risk" youths.
- COMPEER volunteer: As a COMPEER volunteer, I participated in weekly activities with a man who resides in an assisted living program
- DREAM camp counselor: I volunteered as a camp counselor for an educational camp created to help children of substance abusing parents.
- Big Brother: I was a "Big in School" for a first-grade student
- League for the Hard of Hearing: I volunteered during my summer break between my first and second academic years (Au.D. program). I volunteered for 1.5 month and helped with hearing aid fitting, repair, and adjustment.

REFERENCES

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