



## LISTEN UP!

**Johannesburg Cochlear Implant  
News letter  
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Wow we have reached the end of the year – 2012 is disappearing rapidly. I hope that this holiday period will be a time for everyone to relax and recharge their batteries. Every year has its ups and downs and this year has been no exception, but our programme continues to grow.

Having a central office for administration has enabled us to improve our service and make contact with cochlear implant users with whom we had lost contact. We have tried to keep you informed of developments in the field and help you to maintain your processors to ensure optimal hearing. Remember, things do change so contact us if you feel that you are not coping as well as you would like to.

### JCIC ADMIN HOURS



JCIC will close on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December and will reopen on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2013. If there are any emergencies during that period you can contact Wendy on 082 482 0855. If you are unable to reach Wendy between the 26<sup>th</sup> December to the 2<sup>nd</sup> January you can contact Yvonne on 083 254 6440.

Next year our office will be open from Monday to Friday between 8:00am and 4:00pm. Please

contact Gadija to book appointments and order batteries or spare parts. She is available at [admin@jcic.co.za](mailto:admin@jcic.co.za) or 011 482-6141 or **011 356-6198 (new number)**.

### BATTERIES



We are aware that some people are getting a very limited battery life from the mercury free batteries. Our suppliers have managed to source the original red pack of Rayovac batteries and we will inform you as soon as we can get stock of these. Meanwhile we still have stock of the mercury-free Rayovac as well as the Power One and Zenipower batteries.

### SECOND IMPLANT



We have some good news for people considering a second side implant. Southern ENT have notified us that there will be a 25% discount on implants ordered between now and March 2013.

MedEl will continue to offer a 20% discount on second side implants.

### WELCOME TO OUR NEW RECIPIENTS

Congratulations and good luck to our recipients implanted since our last newsletter:



Adults: Peet Vermaak: Annamaria Siani; Baxter Waring: Maud De Lange: Doreen Davies (2nd ear)

Children: Solene Sagna (2<sup>nd</sup> ear)

### HOLIDAY TIPS



Remember to put your speech processors into the drying kit every evening. Moisture will affect the functioning of your device!

Carry spare batteries with you so that you are never caught unawares.

If you are going away it is advisable to take a spare cable in case the one you are using gets damaged.

### RECIPIENT GET-TOGETHER



We are still planning to “get-together” in early February (we will confirm the date as soon as we have confirmed the availability of the venue). Remember that if you have any suggestions regarding what would make this an enjoyable event for you and your family we would love to hear them and will try to incorporate them in our planning.



RELAX, TRAVEL SAFELY AND ENJOY

**Don't forget to send in your comments, questions and suggestions and stories! Please share them with us at [admin@jcic.co.za](mailto:admin@jcic.co.za) or 0867435393 and we will include them or reply to them in our next edition.**