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ASX Announcement

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Publication of global consensus on a minimum standard of care for treating adult hearing loss with a cochlear implant

Cochlear Limited is pleased to advise of the publication of an independent global consensus on the use of a cochlear implant as the minimum standard of care for adults with bilateral severe, profound, or moderate sloping to profound hearing loss. The paper was published today in JAMA Otolaryngology–Head & Neck Surgery.

CEO & President, Dig Howitt said, "We are very excited about the publication of this paper. It is an important step forward, providing the foundation for the development of formal clinical practice guidelines in the coming years. It is anticipated that these guidelines for hearing loss professionals will be important in building a clear and consistent referral path for adults from hearing aids to cochlear implants."

The link to the consensus paper, including the full methodology and consensus statements, is can be found <u>here</u>.

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