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University of Arizona	B.S.	1679	Hearing & Sp Sciences
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN	M.S.	1980	Hearing Science
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN	Ph.D.	1994	Hearing Science

### A. Positions and Honors

1981-82	Research Associate in Audiology, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, TN
1982-84	Chief of Audiology Services, King Fahad Hospital, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
1984-94	Staff Audiologist, Bill Wilkerson Hearing and Speech Center, Nashville, TN
1986-95	Clinical Instructor, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, TN
1995-96	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, TN
1994-96	Assistant Professor, Louisiana State University Medical Center, New Orleans, LA
1996-02	Assistant Professor, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, TN
1997-	Fellow and Investigator, Vanderbilt University Kennedy Center
1999-	Guest Faculty, Central Michigan University, College of Extended Learning, Doctor of Audiology Program
2002-	Associate Professor, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, TN
2004-	Associate Director of Education, Center for Childhood Deafness & Family Communication

### B. Selected Peer-Reviewed Publications

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- Tharpe, A.M., Rassi, J., & Biswas, G. (1995). Problem-based learning in audiology. *American Journal of Audiology*, 4, 1.
- Tharpe, A.M. (1996). Concerns regarding integration training (AIT). *Current Opinion in Otolaryngology & Head and Neck Surgery*, 4.
- Tharpe, A.M. & Biswas, G. (1997). Characterization of problem solving in audiology: implications for training. *American Journal of Audiology*, 6(1), 31-42.
- Tharpe, A.M. & Clayton, E.W. (1997). Newborn hearing screening: Issues in legal liability and quality assurance. *American Journal of Audiology*, 6, 5-12.
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### C. Research Ongoing

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DOED/Field Initiated Research

A Comparison of Home-and Center-Based Intervention Settings for Infants and Toddlers with Hearing Loss

The primary objective of early intervention for the child with hearing loss who is going to be oral is the fostering of communication skills, specifically speech and language development. This is facilitated

through improvements in auditory input. In order to achieve early speech and language skills, infants and toddlers must have acoustic accessibility to the speech and language models in their environment. Because of the difficulty in ensuring consistent acoustic accessibility in typical home environments, infants and toddlers with hearing loss and their families may experience better communication outcomes when early intervention is conducted in a center-based environment, where acoustic conditions can be controlled. The objectives of this study are (1) to develop a best-practices early intervention strategy for children with hearing loss and their families and (2) to conduct research designed to determine the efficacy of center-based versus home-based early intervention services for infants and toddlers with hearing loss.