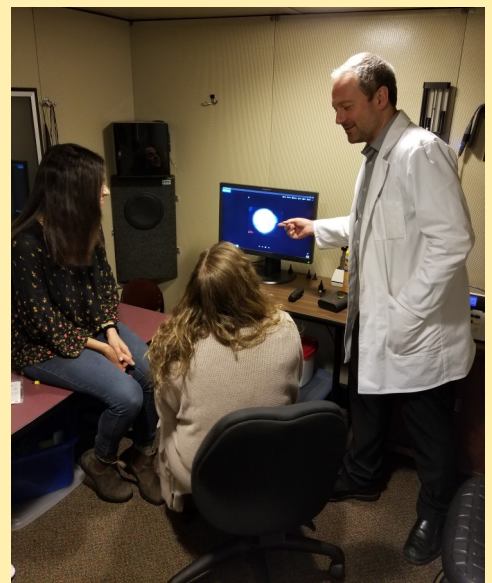
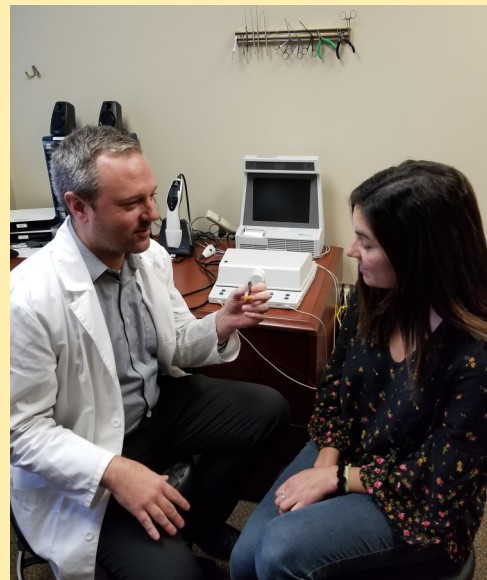


A New Audiologist, I Heard That !

Dr. Ben Russell joined the Charles E. and Geneva S. Scott Scottish Rite Communication Disorders Clinic in January, 2017. He earned his Doctor of Audiology in 2010 and his Ph.D. in 2016, both from the University of South Florida in Tampa.

Dr. Russell provides a complete range of hearing evaluations for both pediatric and adult patients. He also dispenses hearing aids and takes pride in his ability to relate to the concerns of his patients, because he is a hearing aid user himself. During his first year, Dr. Russell has coordinated the acquisition of new test equipment for the hearing clinic, including a video otoscope, which allows patients to see inside their own ears. Dr. Russell also teaches two courses in the CSD undergraduate degree program.

As a North Carolina native, Dr. Russell felt that working in Boone was the perfect opportunity to return home. He said *“it has been a real joy getting to know the patients in our community, everyone is so friendly. I feel that I could not have made a better choice than to move to Boone and work at Appalachian State University.”*



We offer our sincere appreciation for the continued support of the Scottish Rite, without which we could not fulfill our mission.