



# Information Digest

## November 2015

### News items

Scientists say they have a new cure for hearing loss | Public Radio International  
<http://www.pri.org/stories/2015-11-28/scientists-say-they-have-new-cure-hearing-loss>

Education at a Glance 2015: OECD Indicators Australia DOI:[10.1787/eag-2015-43-en](https://doi.org/10.1787/eag-2015-43-en)  
[http://www.keepeek.com/Digital-Asset-Management/oecd/education/education-at-a-glance-2015/australia\\_eag-2015-43-en#page1](http://www.keepeek.com/Digital-Asset-Management/oecd/education/education-at-a-glance-2015/australia_eag-2015-43-en#page1)

How cells in the developing ear 'practice' hearing | EurekAlert! Science News  
[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2015-11/jhm-hci112015.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2015-11/jhm-hci112015.php)

At the edge of vision: Struggling to make sense of our cluttered world | University of Cambridge  
<http://www.cam.ac.uk/research/news/at-the-edge-of-vision-struggling-to-make-sense-of-our-cluttered-world>

High-Tech Glasses Can Treat Lazy Eye | Medicine | Science | Australian Popular Science  
<http://www.popsci.com.au/science/medicine/hightech-glasses-can-treat-lazy-eye,411854>

Woman blind for 17 years then one of her personalities started to see  
<http://www.smh.com.au/world/woman-was-blind-for-17-years--then-one-her-other-personalities-started-to-see-20151124-gl7423.html>

Infants with blind parents pay less attention to eyes  
<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/11/151119133224.htm>

Blind on Its Own | WIRED <http://www.wired.com/2015/10/facebook-artificial-intelligence-describes-photo-captions-for-blind-people/>

In Bali's Deaf Village, Everyone Speaks Sign Language | VICE | United States  
<http://www.vice.com/read/theres-a-village-in-bali-where-everyone-knows-sign-language-511>

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Music-making for the deaf : Birmingham City University <http://www.bcu.ac.uk/news-events/news/music-making-for-the-deaf>

Babies have logical reasoning before age one, study finds  
<http://esciencecommons.blogspot.com.au/2015/11/babies-have-logical-reasoning-before.html>

Scientists shed light on how our brains see the world – ScienceDaily  
<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/11/151118180544.htm>

Medicated eye drops can slow down the development of nearsightedness in kids –  
<http://www.sciencealert.com/medicated-eye-drops-can-slow-down-the-development-of-nearsightedness-in-kids>

Little explicit guidance about use of restraints, seclusion in Canberra schools, report finds -  
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-11-18/act-government-report-responds-to-boy-in-cage-incident/6951362>

Artificial neurons learn human language by communicating with scientists  
<http://www.sciencealert.com/artificial-neurons-learn-human-language-by-communicating-with-scientists>

Academic publications to become less important when funding university research  
<http://www.smh.com.au/federal-politics/political-news/academic-publications-to-become-less-important-when-funding-university-research-20151112-gkxkgl.html>

What The [Beep]? Infants Link New Communicative Signals to Meaning: Northwestern University News <http://www.northwestern.edu/newscenter/stories/2015/11/infant-communicative-signals-.html>

Dartmouth researchers create automated tool for dialect analysis | EurekAlert! Science News [http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2015-11/dc-drc110915.php](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2015-11/dc-drc110915.php)

New Study: Leading Cause of Blindness Could Be Prevented or Delayed | BrightFocus Foundation <http://www.brightfocus.org/macular/news/new-study-leading-cause-blindness-could-be-prevented-or-delayed>

UNITED NATIONS: Serious Concerns About Human Rights Violations Against Australians with Disability <http://crossdisabilityalliance.org.au/news/united-nations-serious-concerns-about-human-rights-violations-against-australians-with-disability/>

Why books need to be made more accessible for visually impaired people | Children's books | The Guardian <http://www.theguardian.com/childrens-books-site/2015/nov/04/accessing-books-visually-impaired-blind>

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These Solar-Powered Hearing Aids Are Helping Kids In Developing Countries

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com.au/entry/grace-obrien-solar-hearing-aids\\_562e4149e4b0443bb5648366?section=australia&adsSiteOverride=au](http://www.huffingtonpost.com.au/entry/grace-obrien-solar-hearing-aids_562e4149e4b0443bb5648366?section=australia&adsSiteOverride=au)

New Route to Hearing Loss Mapped | The Scientist Magazine® <http://www.the-scientist.com/?articles.view/articleNo/44414/title/New-Route-to-Hearing-Loss-Mapped/>

Federal Government warned of cost blowout in National Disability Insurance Scheme rollout  
<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-11-05/government-warned-of-cost-blowout-in-ndis-rollout/6913246>

Vision pass boosts travel accessibility

<http://www.visionaustralia.org/about-us/news-and-media/latest-news/news/2015/11/03/vision-pass-boosts-travel-accessibility>

Machado-Joseph Disease Foundation wins back \$10 million grant in landmark case against Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion - ABC News (Australian Broadcasting Corporation)

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-11-04/mjd-foundation-wins-landmark-case-10-grant-case-nigel-scullion/6911646>

Dear Media: Stop Describing the Deaf as 'Mute' | Lydia L. Callis

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/lydia-l-callis/how-the-media-mutes-deaf-voices\\_b\\_8447342.html?ir=Australia](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/lydia-l-callis/how-the-media-mutes-deaf-voices_b_8447342.html?ir=Australia)

Smart glasses translate video into sound to help the blind see

<https://www.newscientist.com/article/dn28421-smart-glasses-translate-video-into-sound-to-help-the-blind-see/>

Online 'signing' dictionary for communicating with deaf - Business & Innovation - Jerusalem Post <http://www.jpost.com/Business-and-Innovation/Health-and-Science/Online-signing-dictionary-for-communicating-with-deaf-430646>

Invented in Britain: The brilliant new Star Trek specs which are helping blind people to see

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-3298565/Blind-people-effectively-thanks-brilliant-new-British-invention-glasses-tell-wearers-looking-at.html>

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NDIA November 2015 eNewsletter  
<http://ndis.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=055092cc7e42efbfc41d80045&id=1a08289f3a&e=107e7882e1>

NB - 27 November 2015  
<http://rnibenews.org.uk/q/1bm6JvLIE9duilsx0Cp/wv>

Daily Media Round-Up Thursday 26 November 2015  
<http://www.pwd.org.au>

ALEA Today - November 2015  
[www.alea.edu.au/redirect?h=zhwBpS0%2BmlWd4kdRkEmzdyTRyUol3Jae5bBPe3Xbjfe%2FywQmHdBEmXJgPym0JskvlFhQdzMwJAUvfe14RaWOnHyHqokDH7NmEQhqcwCyfOGtFOK%2Buzq1UxOCJ04QvrqNq8jLI7vxhDO0RrfnnxQLMKCTv3vAUJrLfgVEdW%2BPNfA%3D](http://www.alea.edu.au/redirect?h=zhwBpS0%2BmlWd4kdRkEmzdyTRyUol3Jae5bBPe3Xbjfe%2FywQmHdBEmXJgPym0JskvlFhQdzMwJAUvfe14RaWOnHyHqokDH7NmEQhqcwCyfOGtFOK%2Buzq1UxOCJ04QvrqNq8jLI7vxhDO0RrfnnxQLMKCTv3vAUJrLfgVEdW%2BPNfA%3D)

DARU Update - 23 November 2015 <http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=302b7fc3cb039a9e08bba4cb3&id=409ac30f24&e=87212e98e4>

Early Childhood Australia WebWatch #225 <http://www.earlychildhoodaustralia.org.au/our-publications/eca-webwatch/webwatch-index/>

LINK The latest in disability news <http://us11.campaign-archive1.com/?u=0458c065b5f59775cd81f0a14&id=75e1d7b307&e=e8142bce6c>

AGBell eNEWS <http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?ca=89ffe43a-11a2-4472-80ca-74f4887c46ab&c=b40ee3a0-a9bb-11e3-8895-d4ae5275dbc8&ch=b5094930-a9bb-11e3-88cd-d4ae5275dbc8>

CEC Special Education Today  
<http://www.multibriefs.com/briefs/CEC/>

Link : What's news in disability <http://us11.campaign-archive1.com/?u=0458c065b5f59775cd81f0a14&id=516b849dac&e=e8142bce6c>

Insight online RNIB Nov 2015  
<http://rnibenews.org.uk/q/1bm6JvIDzQHJZJ6t7pqX/wv>

Source E-Bulletin Nov 2015 Disability and Inclusion  
<http://www.asksource.info/node/71214>

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PWDA Daily Media Round-Up Wednesday 18 November 2015

[http://www.pwd.org.au/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Daily+Media+Round-Up+Wednesday+18+November+...&utm\\_source=YMLP&utm\\_term=](http://www.pwd.org.au/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Daily+Media+Round-Up+Wednesday+18+November+...&utm_source=YMLP&utm_term=)

Access World November 2015

[http://www.afb.org/afbpres/pub.asp?DocID=aw161101&utm\\_source=AFB&utm\\_medium=email](http://www.afb.org/afbpres/pub.asp?DocID=aw161101&utm_source=AFB&utm_medium=email)

DARU Update - 16 November 2015 <http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=302b7fc3cb039a9e08bba4cb3&id=087f35e48b&e=87212e98e4>

NB - 13 Nov 2015

<http://rnibenews.org.uk/q/1bm6JvI0NahE5zMCelj/wv>

Down Syndrome NSW eUpdate <http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=56351cdac1cc173241ec4d25e&id=ae672fcf1e&e=59443b7b83>

Lowitja Institute eBulletin 9 November 2015

<http://thelowitjinstitute.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/j/AE1542FB6E82D9BF/D67C650B2238F27C5EC08CADFFC107B>

DARU Update - 9 November 2015 <http://us4.campaign-archive2.com/?u=302b7fc3cb039a9e08bba4cb3&id=1f8e4c1d61&e=87212e98e4>

AGBell enews <http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?ca=9e9c13d8-8460-435a-aa30-03394ef3322a&c=b40ee3a0-a9bb-11e3-8895-d4ae5275dbc8&ch=b5094930-a9bb-11e3-88cd-d4ae5275dbc8>

APH News, November 2015

<http://www.aph.org/news>

One in Six newsletter

<http://www.deafnessforum.org.au>

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## **Journal ToC alerts**

Clinical and Experimental Optometry 98, 6 (November 2015)

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/cxo.v98.6/issuetoc?campaign=woletoc>

Otology & Neurotology - December 2015 - Volume 36 - Issue 10

<http://journals.lww.com/otology-neurotology/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

TESOL Journal: 6, 4 (December 2015)

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/tesj.2015.6.issue-4/issuetoc?campaign=woletoc>

TESOL Quarterly 49, 4 (December 2015)

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/tesq.2015.49.issue-4/issuetoc?campaign=woletoc>

Journal of Telemedicine and Telecare Table of Contents for December 2015; Vol. 21, No. 8

<http://jtt.sagepub.com/content/21/8?etoc>

The Hearing Journal - November 2015 - Volume 68 - Issue 11

<http://www.journals.lww.com/thehearingjournal/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

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## Other Resources

AUSLAN version of Handel: Messiah 2015 – YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gkWj03fH210>

Education at a Glance 2015 - OECD Indicators - en – OECD

<http://www.oecd.org/edu/education-at-a-glance-19991487.htm>

Australia's registered health workforce by location - Workforce data (AIHW)

<http://www.aihw.gov.au/workforce-data/>

SCHOOLS FOR ALL CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE: report of the expert panel on students with complex needs and challenging behaviour. November 2015

Emeritus Professor Anthony Shaddock, Dr Sue Packer and Mr Alasdair Roy.

<http://goo.gl/g7YugN>

Nystagmus videos

[http://www.rnib.org.uk/nothing-pointless-about-spreading-awareness-nystagmus?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=%20NB-news-12-Nov-2015&utm\\_campaign=Understand%20nystagmus](http://www.rnib.org.uk/nothing-pointless-about-spreading-awareness-nystagmus?utm_medium=email&utm_source=%20NB-news-12-Nov-2015&utm_campaign=Understand%20nystagmus)

Israeli Sign Language Dictionary

<http://isl.org.il/en/home-page-2>.

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