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**Starkey Hearing Technologies Sponsors Fellows-In-Training Travel (FITT)
Student AudiologyNOW! Grant**

Leading American-owned and –operated hearing aid manufacturer sponsors 20 audiology graduate students

MINNEAPOLIS (February 14, 2017) — Starkey® Hearing Technologies is pleased to be a leading industry supporter of audiology students and faculty. Once again, we are honored to sponsor the Fellows-In-Training (FITT) Student AN! Grant.

The FITT program offers audiology graduate students funding to attend the AudiologyNOW! Conference happening April 5-8 in Indianapolis, Indiana. This year, 33 applications were submitted, and 20 students were selected for their academic and future plans to contribute to the profession of audiology.

“As the largest sponsor of audiology student-related initiatives, we are proud to help sponsor these 20 dedicated students,” Starkey Hearing Technologies Chief Audiology Officer Sara Burdak said. “FITT is one of the many initiatives we support through the American Academy of Audiology to help students become involved with the professional audiology community and access the scores of knowledge to be gained at these national conferences. We’ve seen first-hand with our Starkey University Workshop, the profound impact that these kinds of events can have for young audiology professionals. Whether they end up working in a private practice, a faculty role or in a research setting, the opportunity to experience, learn and network is invaluable to their future and the future of audiology.”

The following students were awarded the 2017 FITT Grant:

Anderson, Christine	University of North Texas
Bieber, Rebecca	University of Maryland
Bjerke, Bailey	University of Minnesota
Bruccheri, Kaitlyn	Rush University
Denney, Nicole	University of Kansas Medical Center
Hinson, Megan	University of Memphis

Medina, Brittney	University of Washington
Moulding, Lisa	University of Akron (NOAC)
Nicholson, Monique	Missouri State University
Noud, Brianne	Washington University
Parker, Jordan	Northwestern University
Rodriguez, Noelia	University of Puerto Rico
Simmons, Heather	University of Florida
Wadell, Paige	East Tennessee State University
Walsh, Casey	University of South Alabama
Williams, Chelsey	University of Pittsburgh
Wysocki, Bethany	University of Cincinnati
Young, Ariel	University of Wisconsin-Madison
Yue, Monica	University of Minnesota
Zakharenko, Viktorya	University of Minnesota

To learn more about Starkey Hearing Technologies programs for audiology students and faculty, visit www.starkeypro.com/students-faculty.

About Starkey Hearing Technologies

Starkey Hearing Technologies is a privately held, global hearing technology company headquartered in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. Founded in 1967, the company is recognized for its innovative design, development and distribution of comprehensive digital hearing systems. The company develops, manufactures and distributes hearing aids via three distinct brands – Audibel, NuEar and its original brand, Starkey. As the only American owned and operated provider of hearing technologies, Starkey Hearing Technologies is proud to support veterans and active military service personnel with the best in American innovation, including a suite of revolutionary hearing technologies and other resources. Starkey Hearing Technologies currently employs more than 5,000 people and operates 21 facilities and conducts business in more than 100 markets worldwide. For more information, visit www.starkey.com.

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