

## Transforming Interprofessional Healthcare

The Audiology Academy of the National Academies of Practice is proud to be welcoming 7 new members at the induction ceremony on Saturday, March 15, 2024. Further, the accomplishment we are most proud of is the work with our colleagues in the 16 NAP academies to transform interprofessional healthcare. We have multiple approaches to this endeavor. First, we strive to increase representation of members from the Audiology Academy across NAP committees and task forces. Second, in line with NAPs values, we have embarked on projects initiated by the Audiology Academy, but with the goal of engaging representatives from other NAP academies in collaborative work. As we seek the most efficient path for this work, in our first model members of the Audiology Academy developed a draft document titled "Information Report: Collaborative Management of Ototoxic Treatments", the draft was then shared with the Pharmacy Academy representatives as a framework for discussion and an invitation to collaborate. Pharmacy Academy members provided their expertise, and the next step is to enlist collaboration from other NAP Academies. The project will be presented at the NAP forum Collab-a-Palooza. This initial project, and those planned to follow, is seated in the core values of NAP. The guiding motivation is patient-centeredness, with a goal of improving health outcomes for individuals requiring treatment with ototoxic medications. To transform healthcare for these individuals, a collaborative approach is needed. Further, deepening the interconnectedness of the NAP academies and the professions represented in NAP through mindfully initiating a project to encourage cross-academy collaboration with inclusion of multiple perspectives will serve as a step in transforming healthcare, as well as educating each other about our diverse roles in supporting this population.