

Dr. Gregg Givens, Professor and Chair of the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders was recognized for his significant contribution toward the development of the Joint Committee on Infant Hearing Position statements and the establishment of early hearing detection and intervention programs.

The Joint Infant Hearing Committee is a committee with membership from the American Academy of Pediatrics, American Speech-Language and Hearing Association, Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing , American Academy of Audiology, American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, Council of Education of the Deaf.

Dr. Robert Kulesher presented his paper, entitled “**Transformation of the Urban Healthcare Safety Net: The Devolution of a Public Responsibility**” at the Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting in Baltimore, April 24. In addition he served a panel moderator for the session on Public Health and the Urban Environment.

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