

ENT doctors in NZ are slow and in some cases actively against new science which shows NZSL is vital to Deaf children regardless of cochlear implant status. As a result an estimated 50-60 children annually in NZ become PLD (Persistent Language Delay) which is a debilitating condition.

My proposal is that research funds should be allocated to find out why ENTs are reluctant to incorporate new science into their practice.

Alternatively a broader project could focus on why parts of the medical profession are reluctant to incorporate new science.

Either project should have professional bodies firmly in mind.