



# PARENT COFFEE NIGHT

## Topic: Microtia/Atresia



**Thursday May 16th 7:00 – 9:00pm**

Location: Children's Hearing & Speech, 3575 Kaslo St, Vancouver – Free Parking

\*Available for families living around the province via teleconference/ video-conference\*



Join us at a special parent coffee night about Microtia/Atresia. We are pleased to have Jesse Kazemir and Catherine Kalchbrenner (a Parent Guide with the Guide By Your Side Program) join us this evening. Jesse is an SFU graduate with bilateral microtia/atresia who wears bilateral BAHS (Bone Anchored Hearing Systems, also known as BAHAs, Pontos & Soft-band Hearing Aids) and Catherine has an 8 year old with right-sided microtia/atresia. Do you have questions about how to talk to others about your child? Or perhaps you have questions about BAHS? Come and join us for an informal coffee night where you can ask questions or share experiences with other parents.



Please RSVP to Catherine at [ckalchbrenner@cw.bc.ca](mailto:ckalchbrenner@cw.bc.ca)

Please RSVP by May 10<sup>th</sup> and please indicate if you will be joining us online or in person.

*Tea and yummy treats provided!*



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*What works for your child is  
what makes the choice right.*



## An Introduction to our Special Guests



**JESSE KAZEMIR** recently graduated from SFU with a degree in Engineering. He has a bilateral, severe rising to moderate hearing loss, and wears two BAHS (Bone Anchored Hearing Systems). Jesse plays the fiddle and guitar (among other various instruments) and plays in different groups around the lower mainland. He enjoys sharing his experiences as a hard of hearing individual and helping families any way he can.



**CATHERINE KALCHBRENNER** joined the BC Hands and Voices team as the administrative assistant though she's also a parent guide with the "Guide by Your Side" Program. Catherine has a background in International Business along with some teaching experience. Catherine and her husband have two children. Her eldest wears a Bone Anchored Hearing System and is currently in grade 3. She is passionate about helping other families on the same journey.