#metoo Goes Both Ways
I was excited to see the “#metoo, ASHA” article in the January 2019 Leader (on.asha.org/ldr-0119-fmp). It supports an important dialogue and will, hopefully, help some to find their voice surrounding this issue.

However, I was extremely disappointed to be turning through the pages and to see the Practice Perfect ad on page 31. While I realize that part of the #metoo movement involves the power dynamic in our corporate culture, our credibility is negatively impacted by decrying the objectifying of women in one breath but turning around and objectifying men within a professional publication in the next breath. To be credible in our own pursuit of equality, we need to live by the ideals that we set.

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Cognitive Function in Older Adults With CIs
Thanks for highlighting research results about cognition and cochlear implants (“Poorer Cognitive Function Found in Older Adults with CIs,” December 2018, on.asha.org/1218ldr-ci). With advances in cochlear implants and increasing numbers of older recipients, it is necessary to understand the therapeutic needs of this population. Considering this group generally has a long history of significant hearing loss prior to implantation, testing results are hardly surprising. We must be careful to point out how poorer testing results in persons with CIs is broadly consistent with test results in populations with significant hearing loss.

This study compared elders with normal hearing to elders receiving CIs, rather than age-matched groups with hearing impairment and cochlear implants. Though obvious to those in our fields, testing results are unrelated to cochlear implantation itself. However, potential misunderstandings could result in Medicare changes in criteria and coverage.

We hope studies using functional measures to track post-therapy CIs will follow. Retraining the brain to respond to a signal previously unavailable is a valid and life-changing goal. ASHA—keep moving forward in 2019!

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Thank you for underscoring the nuances of understanding the specific needs of older adults who receive cochlear implants.