OtoPilot Patient Management System

Complete Azure Deployment Report

Executive Summary

This document provides a comprehensive guide for deploying the OtoPilot Patient Management System to Microsoft Azure. The application is a full-stack audiology management platform built with React (frontend) and .NET 8 (backend), integrated with Azure SQL Database.

Final Deployed Application URLs:

- **Frontend (React):** https://gentle-plant-0e3550410-preview.centralus.2.azurestaticapps.net
- **Backend API (.NET):** https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net
- **Database:** audiologychatbot-server-tulasi.database.windows.net

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Architecture Overview

Technology Stack

- **Frontend:** React with Vite, TypeScript
- **Backend:** ASP.NET Core 8 Web API
- **Database:** Azure SQL Database
- **Hosting:** Azure Static Web Apps (Frontend) + Azure App Service (Backend)
- **Authentication:** Basic CORS configuration

Project Structure

```
AudiologyChatBot/
├── ChatbotAPI/                 # .NET Backend API
├── AudiologyChatBot.Core/      # Domain Models
├── AudiologyChatBot.Infrastructure/ # Data Access Layer
├── react-client/              # React Frontend
└── data/                      # Configuration Files
```

Phase 1: Azure Resource Setup

1.1 Resource Group Creation

Purpose: Organize all Azure resources under one management unit

Azure CLI Command:

```
az group create --name AudiologyChatBot-rg1 --location "East US 2"
```

Portal Alternative:

1. Navigate to Azure Portal → Resource Groups
2. Click "Create"
3. Name: `AudiologyChatBot-rg1`
4. Region: `East US 2`

1.2 Azure SQL Database Setup

SQL Server Creation

```
az sql server create \
  --name audiologychatbot-server-tulasi \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --location "East US 2" \
  --admin-user dbadmin \
  --admin-password "AudiologyBot123!"
```

Critical Note: The server name must be exactly `audiologychatbot-server-tulasi` (not `tulas`). This naming precision is crucial for connection strings.

Database Creation

```
az sql db create \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --server audiologychatbot-server-tulasi \
  --name OtoPilot \
  --service-objective Basic
```

Firewall Configuration

```
# Allow Azure services access
az sql server firewall-rule create \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --server audiologychatbot-server-tulasi \
  --name AllowAzureServices \
  --start-ip-address 0.0.0.0 \
  --end-ip-address 0.0.0.0
```

Portal Configuration:

1. Navigate to SQL Server → Networking
2. Enable "Allow Azure services and resources to access this server"
3. Save configuration

1.3 Database Schema Setup

Connection String:

```
Server=tcp:audiologychatbot-server-tulasi.database.windows.net,1433;Initial
Catalog=OtoPilot;Persist Security Info=False;User
ID=dbadmin;Password=AudiologyBot123!;MultipleActiveResultSets=False;Encrypt=True;T
rustServerCertificate=False;Connection Timeout=30;
```

Required Tables

Execute in Azure SQL Query Editor:

Patients Table:

```
CREATE TABLE [dbo].[Patients](
    [Id] [int] IDENTITY(1,1) NOT NULL,
    [FullName] [nvarchar](200) NOT NULL,
    [Gender] [nvarchar](20) NULL,
    [Age] [int] NOT NULL,
    [Address] [nvarchar](500) NULL,
    [Phone] [nvarchar](20) NOT NULL,
    [Email] [nvarchar](200) NULL,
    [LastVisit] [nvarchar](50) NULL,
    [CreatedDate] [datetime2](7) DEFAULT GETUTCDATE(),
    [UpdatedDate] [datetime2](7) DEFAULT GETUTCDATE(),
    PRIMARY KEY ([Id])
);
```

PatientAssessments Table:

```
CREATE TABLE [dbo].[PatientAssessments](
    [Id] [int] IDENTITY(1,1) NOT NULL,
    [PatientId] [int] NOT NULL,
    [Status] [nvarchar](50) NOT NULL,
    [StartDate] [datetime2](7) NOT NULL,
    [CompletedDate] [datetime2](7) NULL,
    [TotalQuestions] [int] NOT NULL DEFAULT 0,
    [FinalNodeId] [nvarchar](100) NULL,
    [FinalAction] [nvarchar](max) NULL,
    [CurrentNodeId] [nvarchar](100) NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY ([Id])
);
```

AssessmentAnswers Table:

```
CREATE TABLE [dbo].[AssessmentAnswers](
    [Id] [int] IDENTITY(1,1) NOT NULL,
    [PatientAssessmentId] [int] NOT NULL,
    [QuestionId] [nvarchar](100) NOT NULL,
    [QuestionText] [nvarchar](1000) NULL,
    [Answer] [nvarchar](500) NOT NULL,
    [Timestamp] [datetime2](7) NOT NULL DEFAULT GETUTCDATE(),
    [SequenceNumber] [int] NOT NULL,
    [Commentary] [nvarchar](2000) NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY ([Id]),
    FOREIGN KEY ([PatientAssessmentId]) REFERENCES [dbo].[PatientAssessments]
([Id]) ON DELETE CASCADE
);
```

Sample Data Insert:

```
INSERT INTO Patients (FullName, Gender, Age, Address, Phone, Email, LastVisit)
VALUES
('John Smith', 'Male', 45, '123 Main St, New York, NY 10001', '+1-555-0123',
'john.smith@email.com', '2024-01-15'),
('Sarah Johnson', 'Female', 62, '456 Oak Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90210', '+1-555-
0456', 'sarah.johnson@email.com', '2024-02-20'),
('Michael Brown', 'Male', 38, '789 Pine Rd, Chicago, IL 60601', '+1-555-0789',
'michael.brown@email.com', '2024-03-10');
```

Phase 2: Backend API Deployment

2.1 App Service Plan Creation

```
az appservice plan create \
  --name tulasi.rajgopal11.11_asp_9570 \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --sku F1 \
  --is-linux false
```

2.2 App Service Creation

```
az webapp create \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --plan tulasi.rajgopal11.11_asp_9570 \
  --name audiologychatbot-backend \
  --runtime "DOTNET:8.0"
```

2.3 Backend Code Preparation

Key Configuration Files

Program.cs Configuration:

```
using AudiologyChatBot.Core.Interfaces;
using AudiologyChatBot.Infrastructure.Services;
using AudiologyChatBot.Infrastructure.Repositories;

var builder = WebApplication.CreateBuilder(args);

// Add services
builder.Services.AddControllers();

// Register repositories
builder.Services.AddScoped<IPatientRepository, PatientRepository>();
builder.Services.AddScoped<IAssessmentRepository, AssessmentRepository>();

// Register services
builder.Services.AddScoped<IPatientService, PatientService>();
builder.Services.AddScoped<IAssessmentService, AssessmentService>();

// CORS configuration for production
builder.Services.AddCors(options =>
{
    options.AddPolicy("AllowReact", policy =>
    {
        policy.WithOrigins(
                "http://localhost:5173",  // Development
                "https://gentle-plant-0e3550410-
preview.centralus.2.azurestaticapps.net"  // Production
            )
            .AllowAnyHeader()
            .AllowAnyMethod()
            .AllowCredentials();
    });
});

builder.Services.AddEndpointsApiExplorer();
builder.Services.AddSwaggerGen();

var app = builder.Build();

if (app.Environment.IsDevelopment())
{
    app.UseSwagger();
    app.UseSwaggerUI();
}

app.UseHttpsRedirection();
app.UseCors("AllowReact");
```

```
app.UseAuthorization();
app.MapControllers();

app.Run();
```

appsettings.json:

```
{
  "ConnectionStrings": {
    "DefaultConnection": ""
  },
  "Logging": {
    "LogLevel": {
      "Default": "Information",
      "Microsoft.AspNetCore": "Warning"
    }
  },
  "AllowedHosts": "*"
}
```

2.4 Backend Deployment Process

Build and Publish

```
cd C:\Users\tulas\Documents\AudiologyChatBot\ChatbotAPI

# Clean and build
dotnet clean ChatbotAPI.csproj
dotnet restore ChatbotAPI.csproj

# Publish for deployment
dotnet publish ChatbotAPI.csproj -c Release -o ./publish

# Create deployment package
Compress-Archive -Path "./publish/*" -DestinationPath "./deploy.zip" -Force

# Deploy to Azure
az webapp deployment source config-zip \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --name audiologychatbot-backend \
  --src ./deploy.zip
```

2.5 Connection String Configuration

Azure Portal Method:

1. Navigate to App Service → Configuration → Connection strings

2. Add new connection string:
    - **Name:** `DefaultConnection`
    - **Value:** `Server=tcp:audiologychatbot-server-tulasi.database.windows.net,1433;Initial Catalog=OtoPilot;Persist Security Info=False;User ID=dbadmin;Password=AudiologyBot123!;MultipleActiveResultSets=False;Encrypt=True;TrustServerCertificate=False;Connection Timeout=30;`
    - **Type:** SQLServer

Azure CLI Method:

```
az webapp config connection-string set \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --name audiologychatbot-backend \
  --connection-string-type SQLServer \
  --settings DefaultConnection="Server=tcp:audiologychatbot-server-tulasi.database.windows.net,1433;Initial Catalog=OtoPilot;Persist Security Info=False;User ID=dbadmin;Password=AudiologyBot123!;MultipleActiveResultSets=False;Encrypt=True;TrustServerCertificate=False;Connection Timeout=30;"
```

2.6 CORS Configuration

Azure Portal Method:

1. Navigate to App Service → CORS
2. Add allowed origins:
    - `https://gentle-plant-0e3550410-preview.centralus.2.azurestaticapps.net`
    - `http://localhost:5173` (for development)
3. Save configuration

Phase 3: Frontend Deployment

3.1 Static Web App Creation

Azure CLI Method:

```
az staticwebapp create \
  --name audiologychatbot-frontend \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --location "Central US" \
  --source https://github.com/yourusername/your-repo \
  --branch main \
  --app-location "/react-client" \
  --api-location "" \
  --output-location "dist"
```

Portal Method:

1. Navigate to Static Web Apps → Create
2. Resource Group: `AudiologyChatBot-rg1`
3. Name: `audiologychatbot-frontend`
4. Plan Type: Free
5. Region: Central US
6. Deployment: Manual upload initially

3.2 Frontend Configuration

Environment Configuration

.env.production:

```
VITE_API_URL=https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net/api
```

Build Configuration

package.json scripts:

```
{
  "scripts": {
    "dev": "vite",
    "build": "vite build",
    "preview": "vite preview"
  }
}
```

3.3 Frontend Deployment Process

```
cd C:\Users\tulas\Documents\AudiologyChatBot\react-client

# Install dependencies
npm install

# Build for production
npm run build

# Deploy using Azure Static Web Apps CLI
npx @azure/static-web-apps-cli deploy ./dist \
  --deployment-token
"6f51353915f60bb42587627be9fd6a0de3e61cfe09a8e43ded8a9f4cec9f370602-b79d8344-426a-
4d6d-b770-30adce244efb01019270e3550410"
```

Phase 4: Integration & Testing

4.1 API Endpoint Testing

Basic API Health Check:

```
curl https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net/api/patient
```

Expected Response: JSON array of patients

4.2 Frontend Integration Testing

Test URLs:

1. **Main Application:** https://gentle-plant-0e3550410-preview.centralus.2.azurestaticapps.net
2. **Patient List:** Should display all patients from database
3. **Add Patient:** Test form submission
4. **Patient Details:** Test navigation to individual patient pages
5. **Assessment Feature:** Test hearing assessment questionnaire

4.3 Database Connectivity Verification

Test Queries:

```
-- Verify patient data
SELECT COUNT(*) as PatientCount FROM Patients;

-- Verify assessment structure
SELECT COLUMN_NAME FROM INFORMATION_SCHEMA.COLUMNS
WHERE TABLE_NAME = 'AssessmentAnswers';

-- Test assessment functionality
SELECT * FROM PatientAssessments;
SELECT * FROM AssessmentAnswers;
```

Common Issues & Solutions

Issue 1: Connection String Typos

Problem: Server name mismatch between local and Azure **Solution:** Ensure exact server name: `audiologychatbot-server-tulasi` (not `tulas`)

Issue 2: Missing Database Columns

Problem: Local database schema differs from Azure **Solution:**

```
-- Add missing Commentary column
ALTER TABLE AssessmentAnswers
ADD Commentary nvarchar(2000) NULL;
```

Issue 3: CORS Errors

Problem: Frontend cannot call backend API **Solution:** Configure CORS in both App Service and application code

Issue 4: 404 Errors on Deployment

Problem: Incorrect deployment package or missing files **Solution:** Use proper `dotnet publish` command and verify file structure

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Security Considerations

Database Security

- Strong password: `AudiologyBot123!`
- Firewall rules limiting access to Azure services only
- SQL authentication with admin user `dbadmin`

Application Security

- HTTPS enforced on all endpoints
- CORS properly configured
- Environment variables for sensitive data

Network Security

- App Service managed certificates
- Azure SQL Database encrypted connections
- Restricted firewall rules

Monitoring & Maintenance

Application Insights

```
az monitor app-insights component create \
  --app audiologychatbot-insights \
  --location "Central US" \
  --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1 \
  --application-type web
```

Log Monitoring

- **App Service Logs:** Available in Azure Portal → Monitoring → Log stream
- **Database Metrics:** Available in SQL Database → Monitoring
- **Static Web App Analytics:** Built-in metrics in Azure Portal

Backup Strategy

- **Database:** Automated backups enabled by default (7-day retention)
- **Application Code:** Source control with Git
- **Configuration:** Document all environment variables and connection strings

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Cost Optimization

Current Tier Usage

- **App Service:** F1 Free tier
- **SQL Database:** Basic tier
- **Static Web Apps:** Free tier
- **Estimated Monthly Cost:** $5-10 USD

Scaling Recommendations

- **Production:** Upgrade to S1 Standard App Service plan
- **Database:** Consider Standard S0 for better performance
- **Monitoring:** Enable Application Insights for production

Deployment Checklist

- ☐ Resource Group created
- ☐ SQL Server and Database provisioned
- ☐ Database schema deployed
- ☐ Sample data inserted
- ☐ App Service created with correct runtime
- ☐ Backend application published and deployed
- ☐ Connection string configured correctly
- ☐ CORS settings configured
- ☐ Static Web App created
- ☐ Frontend built and deployed
- ☐ Environment variables set correctly
- ☐ API endpoints tested
- ☐ Frontend functionality verified
- ☐ Assessment feature working
- ☐ Database operations successful

Final Application URLs

Production URLs

- **Frontend Application:** https://gentle-plant-0e3550410-preview.centralus.2.azurestaticapps.net
- **Backend API:** https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net
- **API Documentation:** https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net/swagger (if enabled)

Test Endpoints

- **Patient List:** https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net/api/patient
- **Health Check:** https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net/api/patient/test
- **Assessment Test:** https://audiologychatbot-backend.azurewebsites.net/api/assessment/test

Database Connection

- **Server:** audiologychatbot-server-tulasi.database.windows.net
- **Database:** OtoPilot
- **Authentication:** SQL Authentication (dbadmin)

Useful Azure Tips

Azure CLI Best Practices

1. **Login:** `az login` - Always authenticate before operations
2. **Set Default Subscription:** `az account set --subscription "your-subscription-id"`
3. **List Resources:** `az resource list --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1`
4. **Monitor Deployments:** `az deployment group list --resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1`

Portal Navigation Tips

1. **Resource Groups:** Central hub for all related resources
2. **Activity Log:** Track all operations and changes
3. **Cost Management:** Monitor spending and set alerts
4. **Advisor:** Get optimization recommendations

Development Workflow

1. **Local Development:** Test thoroughly before deployment
2. **Staging Environment:** Consider separate staging resources
3. **Environment Variables:** Use Azure Key Vault for production secrets
4. **CI/CD:** Implement GitHub Actions for automated deployments

Troubleshooting Commands

```
# Check app logs
az webapp log tail --name audiologychatbot-backend --resource-group
AudiologyChatBot-rg1

# Restart application
az webapp restart --name audiologychatbot-backend --resource-group
AudiologyChatBot-rg1
```

```
# Check deployment status
az webapp deployment list-publishing-profiles --name audiologychatbot-backend --
resource-group AudiologyChatBot-rg1
```

Conclusion

The OtoPilot Patient Management System has been successfully deployed to Microsoft Azure using a modern, scalable architecture. The application provides:

- **Comprehensive Patient Management:** Complete CRUD operations for patient data
- **Interactive Assessments:** Dynamic hearing assessment questionnaire with commentary
- **Real-time Data Synchronization:** Seamless frontend-backend integration
- **Professional Interface:** Modern React-based user experience
- **Scalable Infrastructure:** Cloud-native Azure services

The deployment demonstrates best practices for full-stack application deployment, including proper separation of concerns, secure database integration, and production-ready configuration.

Total Deployment Time: Approximately 2-3 hours for complete setup **Estimated Monthly Cost:** $5-10 USD on free/basic tiers **Production Ready:** Yes, with recommended upgrades for enterprise use

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