

Rules by Subject Matter Interim Committee Recommendations

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Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology				
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required under State or Federal Law: A.C.A. 17-100-202 (B); A.C.A. 17-100-302 (B-3); A.C.A. 17-100-104 (8); A.C.A. 17-100-207 (B); A.C.A. 17-100-307 (A-2)				
Requirement Statement: The A.C.A. Title 17, Subtitle 3, Chapter 100, Sub-chapter 1 Note establishes rules for the professions of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology.				
Enforce: Agency # 117.00STATE OF ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGYPursuant to the authority vested in the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, the said Board has promulgated and, by these presents, does hereby publish Rules and Regulations of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology as authorized by Section 4 Act 277 of 1975 (Ark. Code Ann. § 17-100-202).EFFECTIVE: September 26, 2015INDEXSection 1. Organization and Procedures of the BoardSection 2. Requirements and Qualifications for Application and LicensureSection 3. Processing of ApplicationsSection 4. FeesSection 5. LicensesSection 6. Inactive Status, Reactivation or ReinstatementSection 7. Disciplinary ActionSection 8. Code of EthicsSection 9. Continuing Professional Education (CPE)Section 10. Rules and Regulations for Audiologists who Dispense Hearing AidsSection 11. Scope of practiceSection 12. TelepracticeSection 13. Rules and Regulations Governing Registration of Speech-Language Pathology AssistantsSECTION 1. ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD1.1 The officers of the Board shall consist of a Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer. Officers shall be elected by members, with elections to be held annually during the first sixty (60) days of each fiscal year.1.2 Committees shall be appointed by the Chair when such appointments are necessary.1.3 The Board shall hold at least four (4) meetings annually, one (1) within sixty (60) days of the beginning of the fiscal year and one (1) before the end of the calendar year, at a time and place designated by the Chair. Additional meetings may be called by the Chair or upon a vote of the majority of the members. The Chair shall designate the date, time, and place of each meeting of the Board. Notice of the time and place of each additional meeting shall be transmitted to the Board members and the press by the Chair at least fifteen (15) days before the meeting is to be held. When the Chair or a majority of the members calls a meeting under special circumstances, direct oral or telephone notification shall be given by the Chair as soon as practical, pursuant to the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act, before the meeting is to be held.1.4 Each Board member shall receive per diem and travel allowance as permitted by applicable state law to attend Board meetings and to conduct the official business of the Board.1.5 Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-201 et seq. shall govern the Board in all matters in which it is applicable.1.6 All communications directed to the Board must be in written form, as a matter of record, before official consideration will be given to any issue, request, or submission to the Board.1.7 The Board shall have such forms as are required for the discharge of its responsibilities.1.8 Following July 1 each year the Board shall publish complete lists of the names of all ABESPA licensed speech-language pathologists and audiologists.1.9 All applicants shall receive copies of the statutes and rules and regulations concerning ethical standards of practice and procedures established by the Board. All licensed speech-language pathologists and audiologists shall have access to any amendments.SECTION 2. REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICATION AND LICENSURE2.1 Ark. Code Ann. § 17-100-301 provides for licensure in either Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology independently.2.2 To be licensed in speech-language pathology, an individual must have appropriate academic training and clinical experience in speech-language pathology; to be licensed in audiology, an individual must have appropriate academic training and clinical experience in audiology. Persons in the process of completing the clinical fellowship experience are eligible for provisional licensure only.2.3 To receive licensure in both areas, an individual must have appropriate academic training				
Subject Matter Committee: Public Health, Welfare and Labor Committees				
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