November 26, 2013

Dear Interested Parties:

The Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology & Hearing Aid Dispensers Board has voted to adopt the following changes to the regulations of a Speech-Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA). Please review and send your comments for consideration to the Board by December 31, 2013.

**SLPA Proposed Changes**

**1399.152.2. Supervised Clinical Experience**

(a) Proposed change would require a RPE supervisor to have at least two (2) years of full-time experience providing services under a license or legal authorization to practice.

**1399.153. Definitions.**

(b) Defining the term “RPE Supervisor” as used above.

**1399.170. Definitions.**

(c) Adds on site or via electronic means into the definition of “Direct Supervision”.

**1399.170.4. Application for Approval of SLPA Training Programs**

(b)(1) Requires the SLPA training program director to hold a valid and clear license in speech-language pathology or equivalent credentials.

**1399.170.6. Requirements of the Sponsoring Institution**

(d) Updates the reference to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) document regarding the Guidelines for the Training, Use, and Supervision of SLPA as the current 2004 document.

**1399.170.10. Required Curriculum**

(b)(c)(2) Same change reflected in 1399.170.6. Updating reference to ASHA document.
Field work experience increased from seventy (70) hours to one-hundred (100) hours.

Qualifications for Registration as a SLPA
(c) Same change reflected in 1399.170.6. Updating reference to ASHA document.

Requirements for the Supervision of the SLPA
(b)(1) The proposed change requires the supervisor to have at least two (2) years of full-time experience providing services as a speech-language pathologist.

(b)(3) The proposed change requires that during the first 90 days, the supervisor is to provide immediate supervision at least 20% of the SLPA’s work schedule per week.

(b)(4) The proposed change requires that the six (6) hours of supervision training occur prior to the commencement of supervision and that the subsequent supervision training occur every four (4) years.

Sincerely,

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