**Section 1465.30 Professional Experience**

To meet the requirements of professional experience for licensure as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist as set forth in Section (8)(f) of the Act, the applicant's experience:

a) Shall be an equivalent of 9 months of full-time, supervised professional experience:

1) 30 hours or more per week over 9 months;

2) 25-29 hours per week over 12 months;

3) 20-24 hours per week over 15 months;

4) 15-19 hours per week over 18 months;

5) Less than 15 hours per week will not fulfill professional experience requirements;

b) Shall include direct client contact in at least 36 supervised activities, including but not limited to assessment/diagnosis/evaluation, screening, habilitation/ rehabilitation and activities related to client management as it pertains to the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology as defined in Section 3 of the Act.

1) At least 18 of the 36 activities shall be on-site observations or remote observation by the supervisor. One hour equals one on-site observation or remote observation; no more than 6 hours can be accrued in one day.

2) The other supervised activities may be accomplished through correspondence and include conferences, evaluation of written reports or evaluations by professional colleagues.

3) For the purpose of this subsection (b), remote observation means that the services are being provided remotely using video-conference technology tools while the supervisor observes;

c) Shall be part of an evaluation and therapy program located in a school, clinic, hospital, community hospital or other equivalent settings (e.g., nursing homes);

d) Shall be supervised by a licensed speech-language pathologist or licensed audiologist. For persons who obtain supervised experience in states or territories of the United States where licensure is not required, the supervisor may be a person who holds certification from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association or the American Board of Audiology. The supervisor shall be responsible for direct and personal contact, and for monitoring, improving, evaluating and documenting the performance of the individual who is under his/her supervision; and

e) Shall begin after completion of the course work and clinical practicum education to meet the requirements for the master's or doctoral degree. In lieu of meeting the requirements set forth in subsections (a) through (d), the Division shall accept a Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association or certification from the American Board of Audiology that the applicant has completed the Clinical Fellowship required for certification as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist.

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