

8710.6000 SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST.

Subpart 1. **Scope of practice.** A speech-language pathologist is authorized to provide specialized speech-language services to prekindergarten through grade 12 students with identified communication disabilities including those affecting language, articulation, fluency, and voice.

Subp. 2. **Requirements for first professional license.** A first professional license as a speech-language pathologist shall be granted to an applicant who provides evidence of having completed a master's degree in speech-language pathology from a program accredited by the Council on Academic Affairs of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association or to an applicant who provides evidence of holding a valid certificate of clinical competence from the American-Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

Subp. 3. [Repealed, 25 SR 805]

Subp. 4. **Professional license.** A professional license shall be renewed according to the rules of the Board of Teaching governing professional licensure.

Subp. 5. **Specialized renewal requirements for licenses issued prior to July 1, 1994.** After June 30, 2007, a person who makes application for renewal of continuing licensure as a speech-language pathologist, but who does not hold a master's degree in speech-language pathology, must provide evidence that at least 24-quarter hours or 16-semester hours of post-baccalaureate college credit in speech-language pathology or related special education instruction and services have been earned and comply with subpart 4.

Subp. 6. **Effective date.** Requirements in this part for licensure as a speech-language pathologist are effective on September 1, 2001, and thereafter.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 122A.09; 122A.18*

History: *23 SR 1928; 25 SR 805; 30 SR 504*

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