

**North Dakota**  
**State Board of Examiners**  
**on**  
**Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology**

**Special Meeting Minutes**

The North Dakota State Board of Examiners on Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology held a Special Meeting on Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024.

Date: February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024

Time: 12:00pm

**I. Call to Order**

*Robyn Zeltinger - President*  
*Courtney Olson - SLP Licensing Secretary*  
*Kayla Fisher*  
*Brian Barrett – Apt, Inc.*

**II. ND Century Code and Administrative Rules Review**

**A. ND Century Code 43-37-04 & 43-37-04.2**

The subcommittee reviewed the Century Code as it relates to the SLPLA. This will be revisited after deciding on the Administrative Rule changes.

**B. ND Administrative Rules 11-02-01-08**

The Subcommittee reviewed subsection d. under section 3 of 11-02-01-08 as seen below:

- (2) Assist during assessment as developed and directed by the supervising Speech language pathologist. In carrying out assessments, a speech-language pathology licensed assistant may not provide a clinical interpretation.

The Subcommittee discussed SLPLAs administering assessments. Also reviewed "assist" vs. "administer." The subcommittee explored replacing subsection (2) of d. under section 3 of 11-02-01-08 with the following:

- (2) ~~Assist during assessment as developed and directed by the supervising~~

~~Speech language pathologist. In carrying out assessments, a speech language pathology licensed assistant may not provide a clinical interpretation. The SLPLA may not administer or score diagnostic assessments or provide clinical interpretation of assessments. The SLPLA may assist during assessment as developed and directed by the supervision speech-language pathologist.~~

The subcommittee also discussed subsection g. under section 3 of 11-02-01-08 as seen below. The Subcommittee decided that each subcommittee member review this language individually and document any suggested changes. All suggestions will be compiled in a single document for the full Board's review.

*g. A supervising speech-language pathologist shall provide direct and indirect supervision that meets the following guidelines:*

- (1) During the first ninety days, a supervising speech-language pathologist shall provide direct supervision for at least twenty percent of the client contact hours worked each week by the speech-language pathology licensed assistant, and indirect supervision for at least ten percent of the client contact hours worked by the speech-language pathology licensed assistant.*
- (2) After the initial ninety workdays are complete, the supervising speech-language pathologist shall provide direct supervision for at least ten percent of the client contact hours worked each week by the speech-language pathology licensed assistant and indirect supervision for at least ten percent of the client contact hours worked by the speech-language pathology licensed assistant.*
- (3) The board may request supervision records at any time.*

The meeting ended with a discussion about having another subcommittee meeting before the April 12<sup>th</sup> Regular Board meeting. This meeting will focus on SLPLA education requirements.

III. Adjourn. 12:56 pm

  
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Dr. Marin Almer-Recording Secretary

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Where noted, the discussion of some of the above topics may be held in executive session rather than during the portion of the meeting that is open to the public. If this is a regular meeting, additional topics may be discussed. If this is a special or emergency meeting, the governing body's discussion will be limited to the topics and executive sessions listed above. If so, include: (may require Executive Session per NDCC 44-04-19.1(2) due to possible need for attorney consultation)