Communication Health Assistants
Supporting Your Communication Health

Communication health assistants are specifically trained to provide clinical services under the supervision of a speech-language pathologist (S-LP) or audiologist.

Communication health assistants deliver a range of audiology and speech-language pathology services to people of all ages with communication, swallowing, hearing and balance disorders. They contribute to quality services in a variety of settings, including — but not limited to — hospitals, schools and in the community.

Communication health assistants working with S-LPs can provide support in some of the following ways:

• Administering screening protocols
• Providing therapy under the supervision of an S-LP
• Programming and creating augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) resources
• Preparing materials for use in assessment, therapy, home programs and classrooms

Communication health assistants working with audiologists can provide support in some of the following ways:

• Providing support with audiologic rehabilitation
• Assisting with audiologic screenings and tests
• Providing maintenance for hearing aids and assistive listening devices
• Educating patients and clients regarding ear protection and prevention of noise induced hearing loss

Communication health assistants may work under different titles, including:

• Audiology assistant
• Communication disorders technician
• Communicative disorders assistant
• Speech-language pathology assistant
• Speech and hearing assistant
• Speech-language assistant
• Speech technician

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