

**Notice**  
**Advisory Commission for Speech-Language**  
**Pathologists & Audiologists**  
**Division of Professional Registration**  
**3605 Missouri Boulevard**  
**Jefferson City, MO 65109**

The members of the Advisory Commission for Speech-Language Pathologists & Audiologists will conduct a mail ballot beginning on Monday, July 18, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and concluding on Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. The ballots will be mailed from the office of the Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts located at 3605 Missouri Boulevard in Jefferson City, Missouri.

Members of the public can participate by directing inquiries or comments to the Board's office, by telephone at 573-751-0098 or by electronic mail at [healingarts@pr.mo.gov](mailto:healingarts@pr.mo.gov).

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## SB 107

To: SLP/AUD Advisory Commission Members

From: Paul Lefebvre, Associate General Counsel

Date: July 15, 2016

**RE: Proposed Amendment to 20 CSR 2150-4.205 – Revision**

During its July 11, 2016 conference call, the Advisory Commission revisited the language it previously approved to amend 20 CSR 2150-4.205, the rule governing Speech Language Pathologist Assistant's application requirements.

After discussion, the Advisory Commission directed staff to draft new language to ensure qualified applicants remain eligible for an SLPA license. The revised draft of 20 CSR 2150-4.205 and the pertinent portions of the current rule and previous draft are provided for the Advisory Commission's review.

You may email your decisions or this sheet back to Connie or Jimmy [connie.clarkston@pr.mo.gov](mailto:connie.clarkston@pr.mo.gov) [jimmy.leggett@pr.mo.gov](mailto:jimmy.leggett@pr.mo.gov) or you may fax this sheet to the board office at 573-751-3166. Your votes are due by Tuesday July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 5:00pm.

Please circle your vote.

1. Approve the language
2. Not approve the language
3. Needs further discussion

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Commission Member (print and sign your name)

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS  
AND PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION  
Division 2150—State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts  
Chapter 4—Licensing of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

**20 CSR 2150-4.205 Procedural Process for Registration**

*PURPOSE: This rule details the registration process for speech-language pathology assistants.*

(1) Applications for registration must be made on forms prepared by the Advisory Commission for Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists. Application forms may be obtained by writing the executive director for the Advisory Commission for Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists, 3605 Missouri Boulevard, PO Box 4, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-0098.

(2) An application will not be considered as officially submitted unless completely filled out, properly attested, and the application fee has been received by the board. The application fee must be drawn on a United States bank. The following documents are necessary to be filed with the board in order to deem the application complete:

(A) Applicants must furnish official transcripts, **which detail all coursework and document the degree(s) awarded and area(s) of emphasis from one (1) or more accredited colleges or universities**, confirming: *[a bachelor's degree speech-language pathology or equivalent Transcripts shall detail all coursework and document the degree(s) awarded and area(s) of emphasis]*.

**1. The applicant obtained a bachelor's degree in the field of speech-language pathology, communication sciences and disorders or communication disorders; or**

**2. The applicant—**

**(a) obtained a bachelor's degree in a field of study other than speech-language pathology, communication sciences and disorders or communication disorders;**

**(b) completed a minimum of twenty (21) semester hours of pre-professional speech-language pathology and/or audiology coursework addressing the speech pathology content areas of anatomy and physiology, phonetics, speech-language development, developmental and acquired speech-language disorders, and clinical methods; and**

**(c) completed a minimum of twenty-five (25) hours of documented clinical observation and twenty-five (25) hours of documented clinical assisting or clinical practicum experience in the area of speech-language pathology;**

*[An equivalent degree is a bachelor's degree issued by a program as the prerequisite for entry into a master's degree program that meets the requirements of the council on academic accreditation of the American Speech-Language- Hearing Association or other bachelor's degree with—*

*1. At least twenty-one (21) semester hours in speech-language pathology and/or audiology that address the speech pathology content areas of anatomy and physiology, speech-language disorders including both developmental and acquired, and clinical methods;*

*2. At least twenty-five (25) hours of documented clinical observation in the area of speech-language pathology; and*

*3. At least twenty-five (25) hours of documented clinical assisting or clinical practicum experience in the area of speech language pathology;]*

(B) Applicants shall furnish documentation as specified by the commission to verify meeting the requirements of subsection (2)(A);

(C) Degrees and/or coursework received at foreign universities shall be acceptable only if such coursework and clinical practicum hours are verified as meeting the requirements of subsection (2)(A). A credentialing service approved by the commission shall be used to determine if such degrees and/or coursework are equivalent;

(D) All applicants shall furnish a statement from a speech-language pathologist holding current unrestricted licensure to practice in the state of Missouri pursuant to section 345.015(~~10~~11), RSMo, acknowledging acceptance of the legal and ethical responsibilities for supervising the applicant. **If at the time of application the applicant is not employed and does not have a supervisor, then said applicant is not required to provide the above statement prior to becoming registered as a speech-language pathology assistant. However, once an applicant obtains employment, they shall submit the above statement within thirty (30) days of obtaining employment;**

(E) Verification of licensure, registration, and/or certification to practice in other states or territories shall be submitted to the board directly from the issuing agency, documenting their record of the applicant, if applicable; and

(F) All applicants shall present with the application a recent, unmounted, identifiable photograph not larger than three and one-half inches by five inches (3 1/2" × 5") nor smaller than two inches by three inches (2" × 3").

(3) During a registration year if there is a change in supervision, a new Supervisor Responsibility Statement must be completed by the new licensed supervisor and returned to the board. Without the completed statement on file, an assistant may not practice as an assistant until a current Supervisor Responsibility Statement is received by the board.

(4) The completed application, including all documents, supporting material(s) and official transcripts required by the commission, must be received at least thirty (30) days before the next regularly scheduled commission meeting. Applications completed fewer than thirty (30) days before the next regularly scheduled meeting may be scheduled for the following regularly scheduled meeting.

(5) Following the commission and board's review, the applicant will be informed by letter either that the application has been approved or that it has been rejected. Any rejection letter will outline, with as much specificity as practicable, the reasons for rejection.

*AUTHORITY: sections 345.015, 345.030, and 345.050, RSMo Supp. 2011, and section 334.125, RSMo 2000.\* This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 150-4.205. Original rule filed July 31, 2000, effective Feb. 28, 2001. Amended: Filed April 15, 2004, effective Oct. 30, 2004. Moved to 20 CSR 2150-4.205, effective Aug. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed July 11, 2007, effective Jan. 30, 2008. Amended: Filed Jan. 3, 2012, effective Aug. 30, 2012.*

*\*Original authority: 334.125, RSMo 1959, amended 1993, 1995; 345.015, RSMo 1973, amended 1986, 1995, 1998, 2004, 2005, 2007; 345.030, RSMo 1973, amended 1981, 1995, 1998, 2007; and 345.050, RSMo 1973, amended 1981, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1990, 1995, 1998, 2005.*