

Summer eNewsletter

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Ohio Speech and Hearing Professionals Board

Message from the Board President

Welcome everyone to this edition of the licensure board's newsletter. There are important updates we are sharing regarding the professions, so please be sure to review our information. Updates of interest include the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact, Ohio Professionals Health Program, CE audits, and CMS' recent reversal for Medicare Part B reimbursement for services provided by Conditional SLPs. We also have information about resources for school-based practitioners as they begin a new school year.

I hope the rest of you summer is wonderful, and Fall with the start of the new school year begins smoothly for our school-based practitioners. On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank all of our licensees for their continued professionalism with the services you provide to patients, clients, and students.

Sincerely yours,
Tammy H. Brown, M.A., CCC-A,
FAAA,
Board Certified in Audiology
Board President

Message from the Executive Director

I would like to welcome everyone to this edition of the Ohio Speech and Hearing Professional Board's eNewsletter. We have important updates and information inside this regarding the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact, Safe Haven Program, professional experience requirements for conditional speech-language pathologists, and other updates related to the professions. The newsletter is the best way to stay informed and updated on licensure issues.

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Message from the Board President

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Message from the Executive Director

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If you have a question, issue, or concern, please do not hesitate to contact us. We invite you to visit our homepage at www.shp.ohio.gov to stay updated throughout the year.

If you recently contacted the Board for services or information, please take a moment to complete our customer service <u>survey</u> and let us know your opinion about that experience.

Best Regards, Gregg B. Thornton, Esq. Executive Director

Important Information

Has your contact information changed?

Updating your contact information is now a self service process in the new eLicense Ohio system. See the update inside this edition for details on how to register and access your license through your new eLicense Ohio dashboard.

All licensees are required to update any change of name, place of business, or mailing address within thirty days of said change.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Reminder: Board and Committee meetings are open to the public.
- Public comment is welcome at all Board meetings.
- Please visit our website at www.shp.ohio.gov for the latest updates and information.

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CE & Ethics Resources Available at: http://shp.ohio.gov/ce-ethics

The Board would like to remind all licensees about their respective continuing education requirements for the 2025-2026 practice biennium.

Requirements for Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists

Audiologists and speech-language pathologists are required to complete twenty hours of continuing education, including two hours related to ethics pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code section 4753-4-01. At least ten hours of continuing education must be specific to the clinical practice in the area the person is licensed. A licensee is not required to obtain continuing education for the first renewal. Licensed audiologists and speech-language pathologists required to complete continuing education have until December 31, 2026 to complete their hours. All continuing education hours must be completed between January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026.

Requirements for Hearing Aid Fitters

Hearing aid fitters are required to complete twenty hours of continuing education, including two hours related to ethics pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code section 4747-1-11. For a hearing aid fitter license, at least ten hours shall be specific to the measurement and testing of human hearing, the making of impressions for earmolds, or selecting and adapting of hearing aids. Continuing education clock hours must be acquired in subjects related to hearing aid fitting or audiology. A licensee is not required to obtain continuing education for the first renewal. Licensed hearing aid fitters required to complete continuing education have until December 31, 2026 to complete their hours. All continuing education hours must be completed between January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026.

For all licensees required to complete continuing education, proof of completion is not required to be submitted when the license is renewed. The Board randomly selects up to ten percent of licensees for verification of continuing education hours following the license renewal deadline.

Licensure Statistics	
As of August 20, 2025	
Audiologists:	1201
Audiology Aides:	112
Conditional SLPs:	394
Dual-Aud. & SLP	18
Hearing Aid Dealers:	183
Hearing Aid Satellites:	373
Hearing Aid Fitters:	420
Inactive Audiology:	38
Inactive Speech-Language Path.: 220	
Speech-Language Pathologists: 9024	
SLP Aides:	7
Trainee Permit Holders	55
Total Licenses:	11,807

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Board Adopts Professional Standards for Madeline's Law

Madeline's Law was signed into law by Governor Mike DeWine on January 2, 2025. The new law, which took effect on April 2, 2025, requires health benefit plans to provide coverage for the cost of both of the following: (1) one hearing aid per hearing-impaired ear up to \$2,500 every 48 months for a covered person under 21 years of age who is verified as being deaf or hearing impaired by a licensed audiologist or by an otolaryngologist or other licensed physician, and (2) all related services prescribed by an otolaryngologist or recommended by a licensed audiologist and dispensed by a licensed audiologist, a licensed hearing aid dealer or fitter, or an otolaryngologist. The required coverage applies to all health benefit plans, as defined in section 3922.01 of the Ohio Revised Code, and includes a nonfederal government health plan delivered, issued for delivery, modified, or renewed on or after the bill's effective date. The new law also requires the Board to adopt professional standards on hearing aids.

The Board finalized the professional standards concerning prescription hearing aids at its meeting on March 7, 2025. You can access the professional standards from our website at: https://shp.ohio.gov/staying-licensed/professional standards concerning prescription hearing aids madelines law

CMS Reverses Its Interpretation of a Qualified SLP

On July 30, 2025, the Board received an announcement from the American-Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has confirmed that it is reversing its previous guidance regarding the qualifications of provisional or conditional licensees, including clinical fellows (CFs), to now align with state licensure requirements. You can view ASHA's announcement at the following <u>link</u>.



What Does This Mean for Ohio Conditional SLPs who provide services covered by Medicare Part B reimbursement?

CMS' reversal leaves no doubt whatsoever that Ohio licensed Conditional SLPs are authorized to continue to provide services covered under Medicare Part B reimbursement when the reimbursement is requested by a licensed speech-language pathologist who supervises the person performing the services in accordance with the licensure board's rules for the supervised professional experience.

We would like to thank our licensees who took time to complete our CMS reimbursement survey. We would also like to express our appreciation to ASHA, our state associations, licensees, and constituents who advocated and signed ASHA's petition urging CMS to reverse its previous guidance.

eLicense Service Requests

Licensees must login to their eLicense account and submit a Service Request under "Options" for the following:

- Name changes
- Updating contact information, e.g., mailing address, employment, e-mail address, etc.
- License verification to another state
- Print wall certificates

Ohio Department of Education and Workforce Continues Speech-Language Pathology Consultants for 2025-2026 School Year

The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (ODEW) recently announced that it was continuing the Speech-Language Pathology Consultants for the 2025-2026 school year. At the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year, ODEW announced an initiative for regional Speech-Language Pathology and School Psychology Consultants. The dedicated team of Speech-Language Pathology Consultants (SLPCs) and School Psychology Consultants (SPCs) serve districts across the state. Each SLPC, is a highly qualified speech-language pathologist, assigned to specific regions to provide specialized support



where it is needed most. In districts without existing regional support, these consultants will play a key role in delivering essential services. Where there are district lead therapists, psychologists, supervisors, or coordinators in place, SLPCs and SPCs will collaborate to strengthen professional development initiatives and enhance district-wide success.

Key responsibilities of the SLPCs and SPCs include:

- Leading professional development for district and regional speech-language pathologists and school psychologists on best practices in evaluation and therapeutic interventions.
- Providing training and support to administrators, general education, and special education staff to ensure a cohesive approach to student services.
- Guiding caseload management by offering personalized advice and practical strategies based on a workload approach. Leveraging their field experience, they will empower professionals to navigate caseload challenges more effectively.

SLPCs and SPCs are committed to supporting the success of districts across the state, ensuring that students receive the high-quality services they deserve.

East Central Ohio ESC
SLPC: Allison Hoffmann
SLPC: Kristy Hopkinson

Madison-Champaign ESC Mid-Ohio ESC

SLPC: Angie Brouhard SLPC: Johanna Gilland

North Central Ohio ESC
SLPC: Jennifer Treadway
SLPC: Jennifer Pyles

If you are a licensee who works in a school setting and have questions regarding the workload determination process, your caseload, the ODEW Operating Standards, etc., you should contact the SLPC for your region. For contact information for the SLPC serving your county/region of the state, please visit the ODEW's website at: https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Special-Education/Related-Services/Regional-Speechlanguage-Pathology-and-School-Psyc

Pillars of a Healthy Caseload Resource Document - Update

In the Fall 2024 newsletter, the Board announced that it was in the process of drafting a resource document for school-based practitioners to obtain and maintain a healthy caseload through implementation of the workload determination process. The draft document was widely distributed to licensees and interested parties, including university graduate programs, for feedback. The Board received feedback and completed a final draft of the guidebook entitled, "Pillars of a Healthy Caseload Approach," which is undergoing a final review for release in November. We would like to thank everyone who provided input on the early draft.

Board Implementing Ohio's Safe Haven Program - Update

This is a reminder that the Board has a Safe Haven Program for impaired practitioners through a partnership with the Ohio Professionals Health Program (OPHP). The safe haven program is a confidential path for individuals to seek help for burnout, mental health or substance use disorders and a therapeutic alternative to regulatory awareness. Any licensee or



applicant who needs assistance with burnout, behavioral health, mental health or substance use disorder or other medical conditions is eligible to participate in the safe haven program.

The final rules for impaired practitioners and the Safe Haven Program can be found here:

<u>Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4747-1-25</u>: Hearing Aid Dealers, Hearing Aid Fitters, Trainee Permit Holders

Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4753-13-01: Audiologists, Speech-Language Pathologists, Conditional SLPs, Aides

Over 300 licensees signed up for a free, live one-hour continuing education (CE) webinar offered by OPHP on May 19, 2025. The one-hour CE webinar is now available on OPHP's website as an On-Demand learning module at: https://www.ohiophp.org/continuingeducation. The one-hour of CE can be counted towards the two hour ethics requirement for the 2025-2026 practice biennium. OPHP is also hosting another live CE event on September 18, 2025. For more details about this live virtual event, visit OPHP's website.

ASLP-IC - Updates

On July 1, 2021, Ohio became the fourteenth state to join the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP-IC) when Governor Mike DeWine signed HB252 into law. The ASLP-IC is an occupational licensure compact which allows



audiologists and speech-language pathologists to practice in multiple states without having to obtain additional state licenses. The provisions and requirements for Ohio's ASLP-IC are specified under Ohio Revised Code section 4753.17. As of this edition, there are now 36 states and one U.S. territory that have joined the compact, with an additional 3 states that have legislation pending. The ASLP-IC is expected to be operational in Ohio by the end of 2025 as we complete the on-boarding process. Updates about the ASLP-IC will continue to be shared in future newsletters and on the Board's homepage. You can also visit the ASLP-IC Commission's website at: https://aslpcompact.com/.

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Board Reminds Practitioners of Duty to Report

The Board would like to remind practitioners of their duty to report direct, first-hand knowledge, of violations under Ohio Revised and Administrative Code sections 4744, 4747 and 4753. All licensees practice under a Code of Ethics. For hearing aid dealers, fitters, and trainees, the duty to report is specified under Ohio Administrative Code section 4747-1-23 (B)(10), which states: licensees shall report to the board any violation of the board rules or any breach of the code of ethics of which that the licensee is aware. For audiologists, speech-language pathologists, conditional speechlanguage pathologists, and aides, the duty to report is specified under Ohio Administrative Code section 4753-9-01 (B)(10), which also states: licensees shall report to the board any violation of the board rules or any breach of the code of ethics of which that the licensee is aware. Licensees have a duty and responsibility to report known violations of the practice act and breach of the code of ethics. Licensees can report violations by submitting a complaint on the eLicense Ohio website: File a Complaint-Duty to Report. You may also contact the Board office and request to speak with the Executive Director, Gregg Thornton or our Board Investigator, Connie Allen, if you have questions about whether a situation should be reported. The Duty to Report requirement is an important component to a practitioner's responsibility under their license, as well as ensuring consumer protection.

Speech Assistants versus Speech-Language Pathology Aides: What is the difference in Ohio and Why Does It Matter?

Support personnel can assist audiologists and speech-language pathologists with their duties to provide services to patients, clients, and students across all work settings. Ohio has licensed support personnel since 1992, when Ohio Revised Code section 4753.072 became law. In Ohio, our licensed support personnel are called Audiology Aides and Speech-Language Pathology Aides. The Board adopted rules delineating the qualifications for licensure and the requirements for their training, allowed duties, and supervision under Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4753-7.

The educational requirements for a speech-language pathology aide or audiology aide is a high school diploma or equivalent. For states that license speech and audiology assistants, the educational requirements are either a 2-year or 4-year college degree. Aides in Ohio receive customized and hands-on training by their supervisor, perform duties that support specified aspects of record keeping and screenings subject to a pass/fail determination, pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code section 4753-6-01.

Speech Assistants are another type of support personnel licensed in other states to assist speech-language pathologists. Ohio does not recognize or license speech assistants. Speech assistants in other states can provide broader duties, such as managing a caseload and providing direct services to patients, clients, or students under supervision. In Ohio, a speech-language pathology aide cannot perform these duties and cannot work independently.

Employers posting positions for support personnel need to be aware of the type of support personnel that the Ohio licensure board recognizes and licenses. Employers and contract companies should not list "Speech Assistant" or "SLP-A" as these titles misrepresent the type of support personnel that is recognized and licensed in Ohio.

Speech-language pathology and audiology aides serve an important role to supporting speech-language pathologists and audiologists in specified aspects of record keeping and screenings. Please refer to the above referenced laws and rules in order to be compliant with Ohio's requirements for support personnel for speech-language pathology and audiology.

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Important Reminder for Graduates Applying for Licensure and Conditional SLPs competing their experience

The Board would like to congratulate individuals who graduated this Spring and Summer from graduate level programs in audiology and speech-language pathology. Individuals who plan to practice in Ohio should submit their application four to six



weeks prior to graduation, to ensure a sufficient amount of time to process your application. Please visit the Board's website to access the eLicense Ohio licensing system to register for your eLicense user account. For individuals applying for their conditional speech-language pathology license, this is a reminder that the supervised professional experience plan, amended plan, and report and contacts log must be submitted within thirty calendar days. For instance, the supervised professional experience plan is due within thirty days of the start date of employment. An amended plan is due within thirty days of a change in the supervised professional experience start or end date, a change in supervisors, or change in employment. The report and contacts log is due within thirty days upon completion of the supervised professional experience or partial completion of the supervised professional experience. The Boards forms and instructions to complete the supervised professional experience are available on our website at: https://shp.ohio.gov/forms.

During the months of May through August, those holding a conditional speech-language pathology license are in the process of completing their supervised professional experience. The Board would also like to remind supervised professional experience supervisors that supervision of the conditional licensee must continue after the Report and Contacts log is submitted to the board office. Ohio Administrative Code sections 4753-3-07 (D)(2) and (G)(2) state in relevant part:

- (D) Supervisor qualifications and responsibilities.
- (2) The supervisor shall agree to supervise the practice of speech-language pathology experience of the applicant according to a plan approved by the board.
- (G) Supervised professional experience report and supervision contacts log.
- (G)(2) After submission of the "Supervised Professional Experience Report" and "Supervision Contacts Log," the conditional licensee shall abide by the requirements for conditional licensure until full licensure is granted.

Supervisors should check with the conditional licensee to verify timely submission of the Plan, Amended Plan, and Report and Contacts log. The status of the conditional licensee's license should be verified from the eLicense Ohio website, license look-up page at: https://shp.ohio.gov/license-lookup. If there are any issues or concerns, the licensure board should be contacted at: (614) 466-3145 or via e-mail at: board@shp.ohio.gov.

Board's New IHS Practical Exam

The Board previously announced that beginning August 1, 2024, individuals applying for a training permit to prepare to be a licensed hearing aid fitter will be required to take the new International Hearing Society (IHS) Practical Examination. Any new candidate should be studying for the new practical exam. The IHS Practical Exam Study Guide can be downloaded here: IHS Practical Exam Study Guide

All candidates applying for an initial trainee permit will be required to complete the new IHS Practical Exam and should be using the IHS Practical Exam Study Guide referenced above.

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Central Ohio SLPs Make Huge Impact With Equine-Oriented Summer Camp

The Board is featuring this story as part of our human-interest series. If you know a licensee who is making a positive impact for Ohioans, please let us know.

As the Executive Director of the licensure board, I have opportunities to get out from behind a desk, in an office located in downtown Columbus, and see first-hand the powerful work all of our licensees provide to Ohioans of all ages. And so began a journey that involved horses, a horse farm, some incredibly skilled and dedicated SLPs, and the Stars of the show – some amazing kiddos, who spent a full week receiving speech therapy for various communication disorders.



I spent the entire afternoon at the Benson Oaks Farm located in Blacklick, Ohio to witness an innovative pilot program in partnership with The Ohio State University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic. This unique summer camp offered children a dynamic approach to speech and language therapy, integrating nature and equine interaction as powerful therapeutic tools.

During this 20-hour summer experience, children received collaboratively-designed speech-language pathology (SLP) services that supplemented their current therapeutic goals. Licensed and certified Speech-Language Pathologists, supported by OSU graduate students, delivered specially designed interventions in an engaging equine environment.

Just how engaging is the equine environment, you may be wondering? Well, pretty incredibly engaging as the photos appearing in this article will attest.



Speech-Language Pathologist Karen Carver came up with the idea for this program after experiencing her own injury. In March of 2020, she sustained a TBI that resulted in neural hypersensitivities to crowd and loud noises, artificial lights, and chemical odors - navigating and manipulating her environment to avoid triggers became a full-time job. Between the injury and her recovery, she discovered that there was nothing in a barn that bothered her. And thus, began her journey to develop an evidence-based speech and language delivery model incorporating horses, which included completion of the American Hippotherapy Association (AHA) coursework and seeking strategic equine and a university partnerships with The Ohio State University Speech-Language Hearing Clinic.

Ms. Carver stated, "We are so grateful for the exposure the pilot 'horse camp' has received, and I want to thank you for your enthusiasm for our vision. We are beyond pleased that we are able support SLPs out in the field by offering supplemental services based upon the goals and objectives already established, as well as supporting the training of our future SLPs in such a unique clinical placement site. Conducting therapy in a controlled setting is quite different than the unpredictable environment of a barn, which is so good for developing clinical muscles!

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Incredible Strides



The children who attended the camp made incredible strides in a matter of days. Ms. Carver stated, "We experienced nothing short of a miracle for one little boy who has significant behavioral challenges, which are addressed in his IEP. He did not do well on

Monday and unfortunately, due to unsafe behaviors exhibited, we had to ask Mom to take him home. His mother, who is an SLP, and I agreed that he could try again the next day but only if he could follow the rules. Mom reported that he saw himself on TV the next morning, and that was that! Not only did he come back, he successfully followed instructions, waited, cooperatively participated in group activities, and made transitions easily for four hours without any acting-out behaviors. He was a different kid! When I asked him if we

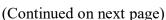
would see him the next day, he said "You bet 'cha!" For the remainder of the week, he needed no more re-direction than his peers. His Mom cried, I cried, we all cried."



Indeed, I could not help but be moved as I witnessed the remarkable interaction between the children and their speech-language pathologists during their story-time.

Each child received both individualized and group therapy from licensed SLPs and graduate students under the supervision of Nadine Whiteman, Clinical Instructor in the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences at OSU.









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Incredible Strides

Group therapy activities in nature







Why Horses Can Make an Impact

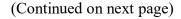


It's hard to think of a better motivator for a child than a horse. According to Ms. Carver, there isn't anything better for calming the autonomic system to prepare the body and mind for instruction than nature. Neural connections are being made in 3-D. You combine these ingredients, along with the expertise of SLPs who consistently practice at the top of their licensure, and you have a recipe for astonishing learner outcomes.



Future Goals of the Equine Therapy Program

Ms. Carver stated that using equine movement as a therapy tool is relatively new to the SLP scope of practice; therefore, as we expand our partnership with the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences at The Ohio State University, we hope conduct efficacious research on the effects of equine movement on motor speech disorders, such as stuttering and CAS. And this innovative therapy program falls within the SLP scope of practice in the state of Ohio.





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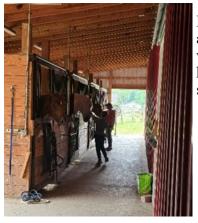
Future Goals of the Equine Therapy Program

I had an amazing experience at the camp. It was such an honor and a pleasure to see our profession in action and making a positive impact on children and their families. Thank you for having me out. I most definitely look forward to returning for a visit next year.





Meet the Team from left to right: Jackie Soler, M.A., CCC-SLP, Karen Carver, M.A., CCC-SLP, Christina Mneimne, M.A., CCC-SLP, OSU grad students, and Nadine Whiteman, M.A., CCC-SLP. Horses Jack and Lee.



Here is the link to the story a local NBC4 affiliate station did on the camp. https://www.nbc4i.com/news/local-news/columbus/how-horses-are-helping-children-overcome-speech-language-disorders/



Note: All information and photos appearing in this story were taken with permission and releases.

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CE Broker - Sign-up Today!

<u>CE Broker</u> is the official CE tracking system of the Ohio Speech and Hearing Professionals Board. You will never have to pay for a CE Broker Basic Account. However, licensees do have the option to subscribe to an upgraded



account, which offers additional CE tracking tools. Please visit the Board's website at https://shp.ohio.gov/continuing-education to learn more.

HOW TO ACTIVATE YOUR FREE CE BROKER ACCOUNT?

- 1. Visit www.cebroker.com/oh/plans
- 2. Select the Basic Account option
- 3. Enter your license number and get started tracking your continuing education!

Comprehensive Course Search

The <u>CE Broker Course Search</u> helps you find every course you need to complete your license renewal. To find courses, visit courses.cebroker.com/search/oh and select your profession.

Helpful Support Center

CE Broker's dedicated support center is available 8AM-8PM ET Monday - Friday with a team of experts trained on the rules and regulations of the Ohio Speech and Hearing Professionals Board. Reach them by phone at 877-434-6323 or via email and live chat.

Benefits of using CE Broker

- Track your continuing education hours required to renew your Ohio license;
- Know precisely how many hours you've completed and how many hours are remaining;
- Exemption from a continuing education audit once your 20 hours are reported
- Bring CE compliance wherever you go with the CE Broker mobile app. Available on iPhone and Android from the <u>App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u>.

OMNIE: Refreshed - Speech and Language Guidelines

Ohio Master's Network Initiatives in Education (OMNIE) Learning Management System Modules

The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, in collaboration with School-Based Speech-Language Pathology experts, developed free online professional development through the Learning Management System (LMS). The modules were designed specifically to support Speech-Language Pathologists as they educate students with communication disorders. These modules assist educators by providing not only compliance information, but also best practice tools and strategies to support Ohio's students. The OMNIE modules have been approved for continuing education credit by the Board.

For more information, please refer to the Learning Management System page on the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce's website at: https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Teaching/Professional-Development/Learning-Management-System-LMS.

OSHPB SUMMER/FALL CALENDAR—2025



September 1

October 15
October 15

October 31

November 3

November 11

November 17

November 27

December 1
December 4

September 2 Application Review and Approval
September 15 Application Review and Approval
October 1 Application Review and Approval

State Holiday - Columbus Day - Board Office Closed

State Holiday - Labor Day - Board Office Closed

Application Review and Approval

Board Meeting

Application Review and Approval

State Holiday - Veteran's Day - Board Office Closed

Application Review and Approval

State Holiday - Thanksgiving Day - Board Office Closed

Application Review and Approval

Board Meeting

December 15 Application Review and Approval

December 25 State Holiday - Christmas Holiday Observed - Board Office Closed

Reminder—audiology, audiology aide, hearing aid dealers, hearing aid fitters, speech-language pathology, and speech-language pathology aide licenses do not expire at midnight until December 31, 2026.



Note: Board & Committee meeting dates and locations are subject to change. Visit our website to confirm dates.

Please visit the Board's website at www.shp.ohio.gov for the specific time and location of the Board and committee meetings. In addition, you may also download the Board's agenda and meeting minutes.

Please note that this calendar is subject to change without notice.

Ask the Board:

Regular Feature

Frequently asked questions will appear in each newsletter.



When should applicants apply for their license?

In order to allow sufficient time for the Board to process an application for a license, it is recommended that individuals submit their application 4 to 6 weeks prior to their graduation or start date of employment. More information about the Board's application process can be found at: https://shp.ohio.gov/getting-licensed