Documentation for SLPs and Audiologists in Schools

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EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE

It is the position of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association that audiologists and speech-language pathologists incorporate the principles of evidence-based practice in clinical decision making to provide high quality clinical care. The term *evidence-based practice* refers to an approach in which current, high-quality research evidence is integrated with practitioner expertise and client preferences and values into the process of making clinical decisions.

Participants are encouraged to actively seek and critically evaluate the evidence basis for clinical procedures presented in this and other educational programs.

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INTRODUCTION

If it's not documented, it didn't happen! Federal mandates, including IDEA, FERPA, NCLB, and HIPAA, plus state and local requirements for accountability, are driving increasing paperwork demands. This program reviews basic documentation requirements and clarifies what the federal mandates do—and do not—require. We'll emphasize techniques for efficient compliance, and give special attention to documenting emerging trends in service delivery and understanding the elements of legal defensibility.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this program, you will be able to:

- relate federal regulatory requirements to the documentation demands of your job
- integrate documentation requirements with emerging trends in service delivery
- discuss documentation methods that ensure compliance and promote legal defensibility

PROGRAM HISTORY

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