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

This issue of *Perspectives* is focused on ethical and cultural aspects in gerontology. The issue will offer a discussion of ethical and cultural issues impacting the aging population. Articles address the core bioethical tenets that support the work of geriatric clinicians, the role of the speech-language pathologist in end-of-life care, project-based therapy approaches that focus on promotion of advocacy, findings from a longitudinal posthumous study of letter-writing in an older adult, and the use of spaced retrieval in adults with dementia.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

*You will be able to:*

- discuss the core bioethical tenets that support the work of geriatric clinicians
- discuss the role of the speech-language pathologist in end-of-life care
- define project-based therapy
- explain the findings from a longitudinal study of letter-writing in an older adult
- discuss the use of spaced retrieval in adults with dementia

PROGRAM HISTORY

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