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REGULATORY REVIEW REPORT PER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3-18

§29CSR1 – Licensure of Speech-Pathology and Audiology

This legislative rule establishes the qualifications necessary to obtain licensure in the State of WV. It also establishes the prerequisites and requirements for provisional licensure (for clinical fellowship year), license renewal, reinstatement of expired licenses, schedule of fees, telepractice services and standards of conduct. The rule also requires all applicants, licensees, registered assistants, postgraduate professional experience supervisors, assistant's supervisors and all others concerned with licensure or registration be held responsible for knowing and understanding the law and rules that regulate their profession.

This rule was first promulgated May 1, 1994 with modifications effective as follows:

June 5, 2001
July 1, 2002
April 1, 2008
July 1, 2010
June 3, 2013
July 1, 2014
July 15, 2016
July 1, 2017

DETERMINATION – This rule should be continued without change. There have been no national academic requirement changes to the professions since 2017 so licensure requirements will remain the same.

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§29CSR2 – Rule Governing Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology Assistants

This legislative rule establishes procedures for the registration of speech-language pathology assistants and audiology assistants. The rule defines the qualifications, duties and responsibilities of the assistant and the assistant's supervisor.

This rule was first promulgated May 1, 1994 with modifications effective as follows:

June 9, 2005

July 1, 2014

July 15, 2016

DETERMINATION – This rule should be continued without change. The changes effective July 15, 2016 included specific regulations for Assistants regarding telepractice therapy & providing therapy to a medically fragile patient. The change also lists the roles of a Speech-Language Pathology Assistant and an Audiology Assistant separately.

§29CSR3 – Procedural Rule – Contested Case Hearing Procedures

This rule specifies procedures for the adjudication of contested case hearings.

This rule was first promulgated August 16, 1993 with modifications effective as follows:

03/01/2001

07/15/2014

DETERMINATION – This rule should be continued without change. References to WV Code §30-1 and §29A-5 mandate specific rules as incorporated in this procedural rule.

§29CSR4 – Procedural Rule – Disciplinary and Complaint Procedures

This rule specifies a procedure for investigating and resolving complaints against licensees and registered assistants.

This rule was first promulgated March 1, 2001 with one modification effective as follows:

July 1, 2014

DETERMINATION – This rule should be continued without change. There are specific procedures required by WV Law when a complaint is received by the Board.

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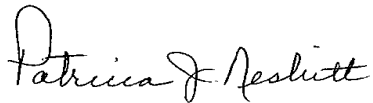
§29CSR5 – WV Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology Code of Ethics
This rule establishes a Code of Ethics outlining principles essential for upholding the highest ethical standards.

This Code of Ethics was first incorporated in §29CSR1 and promulgated on May 1, 1994. §29CSR5 was first promulgated on April 1, 2008 with one modification effective as follows:
July 1, 2014

DETERMINATION – This rule should be continued and modified. The only changes made in 2014 were to clarify and correct the scope of the rule and the title of section 2. There have been no significant modifications to this rule since 1994. Based on complaints received by the Board, ethics violations in different areas of practice seem to be on the rise.

Any modifications would be, at the earliest, submitted for approval during the 2020 Legislative session.

Respectfully submitted,



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