

Communication Health Assistants

Supporting Your Communication Health

Communication health assistants are specifically trained to provide clinical services under the supervision of a speech-language pathologist (S-LP) or audiologist.

Communication health assistants deliver a range of audiology and speech-language pathology services to people of all ages with communication, swallowing, hearing and balance disorders. They contribute to quality services in a variety of settings, including – but not limited to – hospitals, schools and in the community.

Communication health assistants working with S-LPs can provide support in some of the following ways:

- Administering screening protocols
- Providing therapy under the supervision of an S-LP
- Programming and creating augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) resources
- Preparing materials for use in assessment, therapy, home programs and classrooms

Communication health assistants working with audiologists can provide support in some of the following ways:

- Providing support with audiologic rehabilitation
- Assisting with audiologic screenings and tests
- Providing maintenance for hearing aids and assistive listening devices
- Educating patients and clients regarding ear protection and prevention of noise induced hearing loss



Communication health assistants may work under different titles, including:

- Audiology assistant
- Communication disorders technician
- Communicative disorders assistant
- Speech-language pathology assistant
- Speech and hearing assistant
- Speech-language assistant
- Speech technician