



Alberta College of
Speech-Language Pathologists
and Audiologists

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ACSLPA* Document Definitions

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Advisory Statement: Addresses the legislated obligations that apply to speech-language pathologists and/or audiologists. Advisory Statements inform regulated members about legislation, provide suggestions for compliance, and direct members to relevant resources.

Guideline: Provides recommendations to regulated members that are deemed to be acceptable practice within regulatory requirements. Regulated members are afforded reasonable use of their professional judgment in the application of a guideline.

Position Statement: Sets out the official position or stand of “the College” on an issue or matter that is significant to the professions of speech-language pathology and/or audiology, and to outside agencies or groups.

Protocol: Describes criteria, activities, and procedures that should be adhered to by regulated members of ACSLPA in the provision of specific professional services. Protocols are evidence-informed.

Requirement: A necessary condition that must be satisfied for a person to be allowed to do something or to be suitable for something.

Standards of Practice: Are established measures or norms which define the minimum level of professional performance that SLPs and audiologists must demonstrate in their practice; any breach of the Standards may constitute unprofessional conduct as defined in the *Health Professions Act* (HPA).

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