

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS – 3RD OPTION FOR AMENDMENTS TO SLP ASSISTANT SECTIONS 9 & 18

FOR BOARD MEETING 3/26/2025

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revises Sec 18 to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove deletion and retain exemption from Board license when providing services as a public school employee only Revise/clarify that exemption from chapter does not apply to those also holding a Board license. Revises Sec 9 to clarify eligibility for optional Assistant license if NDE-only staff wish to practice elsewhere as an SLP Assistant
Sec 9	<p>1. An applicant for a license to engage in the practice of speech-language pathology as a speech-language pathology assistant must hold:</p> <p>(a) A bachelor's degree or master's degree in speech-language pathology or communication sciences and disorders awarded by:</p> <p>(1) An educational institution that is accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education; or</p> <p>(2) A foreign school which is accredited by an accrediting agency approved by the Board and which provides an educational program that is substantially equivalent to the educational program provided by an institution described in subparagraph (1);</p> <p>(b) A current endorsement issued on or before September 30, 2026 by the Department of Education pursuant to NRS 391.019 and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, which allows a person to teach pupils who have speech and language impairments <i>and provide speech-language pathology services in accordance with their current licensed personnel classification in the public school district in which they are employed.</i></p> <p>2. The Board shall adopt regulations regarding speech-language pathology assistants, including, without limitation:</p> <p>(a) The licensing of speech-language pathology assistants;</p> <p>(b) The educational and training requirements for speech-language pathology assistants, in addition to the requirements prescribed by subsection 1; and</p> <p>(c) The practice of speech-language pathology by speech-language pathology assistants.</p>
Sec 18	<p>NRS 637B.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:</p> <p>637B.080 The provisions of this chapter do not apply to any person who:</p> <p>1. Holds a current credential <i>endorsement</i> issued <i>on or before September 30, 2026</i> by the Department of Education pursuant to chapter 391 of NRS and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, <i>and does not also hold a license issued pursuant to NRS 637B,</i> and engages in the practice of audiology or speech-language pathology within the scope of that credential;</p> <p>2. Is employed by the Federal Government and engages in the practice of audiology or speech-language pathology within the scope of that employment;</p> <p>3. Is a student enrolled in a program or school approved by the Board, is pursuing a degree in audiology for speech-language pathology and is clearly designated to the public as a student; or</p> <p>4. Holds a current license issued pursuant to chapters 630 19 to 637, inclusive, 640 to 641D, inclusive, or 653 of NRS, ➡ and who does not engage in the private practice of audiology or speech-language pathology in this State.</p>