

WAC 246-828-075 Requirements when students perform duties of their profession while under supervision. (1) A student enrolled in a board approved program may perform hearing aid specialist, audiologist, speech-language pathologist, or speech-language pathology assistant duties in the course of their educational training, while under supervision according to this section. For speech-language pathology applicants, supervised experience acquired during an educational program may not be applied towards the hours of postgraduate professional work experience required in WAC 246-828-04503.

(2) Supervisors of students must meet the following licensure requirements:

(a) A speech-language pathology or speech-language pathology assistant student must be supervised by a speech-language pathologist licensed and in good standing under chapter 18.35 RCW.

(b) An audiology student must be supervised by an audiologist licensed in good standing under chapter 18.35 RCW.

(c) A hearing aid specialist student must be supervised by a hearing aid specialist or an audiologist licensed and in good standing under chapter 18.35 RCW who has practiced for at least 36 of the last 48 months immediately preceding the beginning of supervision.

(3) A student may only perform those activities within the scope of practice for which they are adequately trained.

(4) The student must at all times wear an identification badge readily visible to the public that identifies them as a student.

(5) The licensee who is supervising hearing aid specialist students must cosign all purchase agreements for the sale of hearing instruments. A supervisor may only supervise a maximum of three students at a time.

(6) The licensee who is supervising speech-language pathology or audiology students may include simultaneous observations with the student or the submission of written reports or summaries by the student for supervisor monitoring, review and approval. At least 50 percent of each student's time in each diagnostic evaluation, including screening and identification, must be observed directly by a supervisor. The observations may take place on site or by an audio/visual technology system that is HIPAA compliant.

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