Speech-Language Pathologists screen, evaluate, diagnose, treat and consult on disorders of communication. They identify, diagnose and treat individuals who have communication disorders. This may include disorders of speech, articulation, fluency, voice, verbal and written language, auditory comprehension, cognition communication and swallowing disorders.

Legislation

Statutes: NH RSA 326-F and 328-F
Administrative Rules: Chapter Ahp 100 - 300 and Spe 100-500

Licensure Requirements

Good professional character and reliability
- Master’s degree or higher in speech-language pathology, communications sciences and disorders, or communications disorders from an approved educational institution
- Complete a supervised clinical practicum experience at an approved educational institution
- Complete a post-graduate professional experience under the supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist
- Pass an examination in speech-language pathology
- Military experience shall not be considered when determining whether an applicant meets the educational requirements for licensure
- Must complete a criminal background check

Examination

Written examination required

Continuing Education

Thirty hours of continuing education required every two years

Reciprocity

Not permitted

Active Licenses

1,163

Regulatory Agency

New Hampshire Speech-Language Pathology Governing Board
Office of Professional Licensure and Certification
121 South Fruit Street, Suite 303
Concord, New Hampshire 03301
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web <www.oplc.nh.gov/allied-health/>
contact Billie Jo Richardson
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Licenses expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year

O*Net Codes

29-1127.00 Speech-Language Pathologists

Additional Information Sources

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
<www.asha.org>

National Council of State Boards of Examiners
for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
<www.ncsb.info>

Related Training

Speech-Language Pathology/Pathologist; Audiology/Audiologist
and Speech-Language Pathology/Pathologist; Communications Disorders