

(Q) "PRACTICE SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY" MEANS TO APPLY THE PRINCIPLES, METHODS, AND PROCEDURES OF MEASUREMENT, PREDICTION, EVALUATION, TESTING, COUNSELING, CONSULTATION, AND INSTRUCTION THAT RELATE TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND DISORDERS OF SPEECH, VOICE, SWALLOWING, AND RELATED LANGUAGE AND HEARING DISORDERS, TO PREVENT OR MODIFY THE DISORDERS OR TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS IN COGNITION-LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS.

(P) "PROVIDE HEARING AID SERVICES" MEANS TO:

- (1) FIT HEARING AIDS; OR
- (2) SELL HEARING AIDS AT RETAIL.

(Q) "SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PRACTICES SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY.

2-102.

[(a) (1)] This title does not:

(1) [limit] LIMIT the right of an individual to practice a health occupation that the individual is authorized to practice under this article[ . ];

(2) [This title does not prohibit] PROHIBIT an individual from practicing any other profession that the individual is authorized to practice under the laws of this State[ . ]; OR

[(b) This title does not limit the right of an authorized hearing aid dealer to provide hearing aid services.]

(3) LIMIT THE RIGHT OF A PHYSICIAN WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE MEDICINE UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE TO TREAT THE HUMAN EAR OR FIT HEARING AIDS.

Subtitle 2. State Board of Examiners for Audiologists,

HEARING AID DEALERS, AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

2-201.

There is a State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, HEARING AID DEALERS, AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS in the Department.

2-202.

(a) (1) The Board consists of [six] 13 members.

(2) Of the [six] 13 Board members:

(i) [Three] 3 shall be licensed audiologists who have at least 5 [years] YEARS' paid work experience in audiology;