

Readopt with amendment Spe 301.04, effective 7/9/16 (Document #11138), to read as follows:

PART Spe 602 DEFINITIONS

Spe 602.01 Definitions.

(a) "American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)" means the national professional organization of speech-language pathologists and audiologists.

(b) "Clinical time" means the direct time the supervisor spends with the student during the hours of the work week spent in therapy sessions.

(c) "Direct supervision" means in-view observation and guidance by a[~~n~~] speech-language pathologist (SLP) while an assigned activity is performed by an individual being supervised, provided in person or via real time telecommunication technology, and includes but is not limited to:

- (1) Observing a portion of the screening or treatment procedures performed;
- (2) Coaching; and
- (3) Modeling by demonstrating skills to be performed.

(d) "Indirect supervision" means supervision through:

- (1) The supervisor's review of the treatment progress notes made by the individual supervised;
- (2) Telephone conversations between the supervisor and the individual supervised;
- (3) Electronic correspondence between the supervisor and the individual supervised; and
- (4) Any other form of supervision which is not direct supervision.

(e) "Maintenance of continuing competence" means engaging in continuing professional education or continuing professional activity to develop and maintain for the purpose of performing professional responsibilities the following abilities:

- (1) Knowledge;
- (2) Performance skills;
- (3) Interpersonal abilities;
- (4) Critical reasoning; and
- (5) Ethical reasoning.

(f) "Speech-language assistant" means "speech-language assistant", as defined in RSA 326-F:1, XI, namely, "any person certified by the board who meets minimum qualifications established by the board which are less than those established by this chapter as necessary for licensing as a speech-language

pathologist, and who does not act independently but works under the direction and supervision of a speech-language pathologist licensed this chapter”.

(g) "Teleconference" means a live exchange of information from a remote location linked by a telecommunication system.

(h) "Teleseminar" means a teleconference.

(i) "Video lecture" means a lecture delivered through the use of video technology.

(j) "Video course" means a course delivered through the use of video technology.

(k) "Webinar" means a presentation, lecture, workshop, or seminar that is transmitted over the internet.

Readopt with amendment Spe 607.01, effective 3/1/18 (Document #12486), to read as follows:

Spe 607.01 Direction and Supervision of Speech-Language Assistants.

(a) A speech-language assistant shall receive direction from, and be supervised by, an individual holding a currently valid New Hampshire license to practice speech-language pathology.

(b) For the first 90 work days after the speech-language assistant begins to practice, after they have been initially certified, the amount of direction and supervision required by (a) above shall be:

(1) Direct supervision in accordance with the ethical standards found in Spe 500 for 20% of the clinical time during each work week; and

(2) Indirect supervision in accordance with the ethical standards found in Spe 500 for 10% of the clinical time during each work week.

(c) Following such first 90 work days for speech-language assistants with less than 5 years of experience, the amount of direction and supervision required by (a) above shall be:

(1) Direct supervision in accordance with the ethical standards found in Spe 500 for 10% of the clinical time during each work week; and

(2) Indirect supervision in accordance with the ethical standards found in Spe 500 for 10% of the clinical time during each work week.

(d) For speech-language assistants with 5 years of experience or more, the amount of supervision shall be at the discretion of the supervising speech-language pathologist, with no less than 1 hour of direct supervision and 1 hour of indirect supervision per week.

APPENDIX I

Rule	Statute Implemented
Spe 602	RSA 326-F:1; RSA 326-F:5
Spe 607	RSA 326-F:5, V