

**North Dakota State
Board of Examiners on
Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology**

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Ms. Liz Fordahl
Assistant Code Revisor
North Dakota Legislative Council
State Capitol
600 East Boulevard, 2nd Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505-0360

Dear Ms. Fordahl:

The Notice of Intent to amend Administrative Rules and a copy of the proposed rules are enclosed as required by N.D.C.C. § 283210(1).-32-10(1).

Sincerely,



Brian Barrett

Enclosures

FULL NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

TAKE NOTICE that the **North Dakota State Board of Examiners on Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology** will hold a public hearing to address proposed **Amendments** to N.D. Admin. Code **Title 11, Articles 11-01, 11-02, Chapters 11-01-01, 11-02-01, 11-02-02, Sections 11-01-01-01, 11-02-01-01, 11-02-01-04, 11-02-01-08, 11-02-02-03** at **12:00pm CST Friday, March 13, 2026** using the link below:

<https://zoom.us/j/97332114101?pwd=zReZOG1Ua5rjihXL6oRUXoQHDqpt8.1>

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to **update rules pertaining to modern practices within the audiology and speech-language pathology profession and to compliment century code changes to section 43-37-04 during the last legislative session.** The proposed amendments address changes in the sections below.

Subsection 1 of section 11-01-01-01:

- Changed to include speech-language pathology licensed assistants.

Subsection 1 b. of Section 11-02-01-01:

- Changed to specify that the official transcripts need to be received directly from the educational institute.

Subsection 2. of Section 11-02-01-01:

- changed so applications are compatible with being on the website

Subsection 6 of Section 11-02-01-01:

- This section was added to compliment changes to section 43-37-04 passed during the last legislative session.

Subsection 2 of section 11-02-01-04:

- Language was added so notifications can be sent via email

Subsection 4 of section 11-02-01-04:

- Changes clarify when a license expires and also eliminates language centering about late fees

Subsection 5 of section 11-02-01-04:

- This language was eliminated due to being condensed into subsection 4 of this section.

Subsection 6 of section 11-02-01-04:

- The language centering about “late fee” was eliminated

Subsection 7 of section 11-02-01-04:

- This language was modified for clarity centering around continuing education and re-licensure.

Subsection 9 of section 11-02-01-04:

- This language was eliminated due to being seen as a barrier to licensure.

Subsection 1 a. of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language was added for clarity and detail within the definition of “direct supervision”.

Subsection 1 b. of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language was added for clarity and detail within the definition of “indirect supervision”.

Subsection 1 c. of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language added to clarify the meaning of “clinical experience.

Subsection 1 d. of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language added to clarify the meaning of “indirect clinical experience.

Subsection 2 of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language complimenting and corresponding to changes in section 43-37-04 of the ND century code for the last legislative session.

Subsection 3. b. of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language requiring speech-language pathology licensed assistant identification to the public.

Subsection 3 d. (1) of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language clarifying tasks of a speech-language pathologist licensed assistant.

Subsection 3 d. (2) of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language clarifying tasks of a speech-language pathologist licensed assistant.

Subsection 3 d. (4) of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language clarifying tasks of a speech-language pathologist licensed assistant.

Subsection 3 d. (6) of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language clarifying tasks of a speech-language pathologist licensed assistant.

Subsection 4 a. of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language clarifying requirements for those supervising speech-language pathology licensed assistants.

Subsection 4 c. of section 11-02-01-08:

- Language specifying the number of speech-language pathology licensed assistants that can be supervised by one person.

Subsection 4 g. (1) of section 11-02-01-08:

- This language was eliminated due to it being clarified in section Subsection 4 g. (2) of section 11-02-01-08 below.

Subsection 4 g. (2) of section 11-02-01-08:

- This language clarifies requirements regarding direct supervision of a speech-language pathologist licensed assistant.

Subsection 4 h. of section 11-02-01-08:

- This language clarified circumstances centering around a speech-language pathologist supervising a speech-language pathologist licensed assistant.

Section 11-02-02-03:

- Added speech-language licensed assistants to the language

Subsection 9. of Section 11-02-02-03:

- Adding “speech-language pathology licensed assistant” so this profession is subject to the same ethical standards as speech-language pathologists and audiologists.

Subsection 10. of Section 11-02-02-03:

- Adding “speech-language pathology licensed assistant” so this profession is subject to the same ethical standards as speech-language pathologists and audiologists.

Subsection 11. of Section 11-02-02-03:

- Adding “speech-language pathology licensed assistant” so this profession is subject to the same ethical standards as speech-language pathologists and audiologists.

Subsection 13. of Section 11-02-02-03:

- Adding “speech-language pathology licensed assistant” so this profession is subject to the same ethical standards as speech-language pathologists and audiologists.

The proposed **amendment is not** expected to have an impact on the regulated community in excess of \$50,000.

The proposed rules may be reviewed at the office of the **North Dakota State Board of Examiners on Audiology and Speech-language Pathology P.O. Box 1338 Bismarck, North Dakota 58502**. A copy of the proposed rules and/or a regulatory analysis may be requested by writing the above address, emailing to ndsbe.executivesecretary@gmail.com or calling **701-775-7165**. Written or oral comments on the proposed rules sent to the above address or telephone number and received by **March 23, 2026** will be fully considered.

If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the **North Dakota State Board of Examiners on Audiology and Speech-language Pathology** at the above telephone number or address at least 24 hours prior to the public hearing.

Dated this **Friday of January 30, 2026**

Brian Barrett

Board Manager