

Title 10

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Subtitle 41 BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR AUDIOLOGISTS, HEARING AID DISPENSERS, SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS, AND MUSIC THERAPISTS

10.41.02 Code of Ethics

Authority: Health Occupations Article, §§1-212, 2-205 and 2-314, Annotated Code of Maryland

.02 Ethical Responsibilities.

- A.—B. (text unchanged)
- C. Professional Conduct.
 - (1)—(7) (text unchanged)
 - (8) *Licenses may not engage in self-referral as set forth in 42 U.S.C. §1395nn and Health Occupations Article, §1-302, Annotated Code of Maryland.*
 - (9) *Licensed audiologists shall comply with all federal healthcare fraud and abuse laws, including but not limited to the:*
 - (a) *Federal Anti-Kickback Statute (42 U.S.C. §1320a-7b);*
 - (b) *Stark Law (42 U.S.C. §1395nn); and*
 - (c) *Sunshine Act (42 U.S. Code §1320a-7h).*
- D.—G. (text unchanged)

.04 Special Responsibilities.

- A.—G. (text unchanged)
- H. The licensee shall:
 - (1) Maintain adequate records of professional services rendered and products dispensed, including:
 - (a)—(b) (text unchanged)
 - (c) License number *and signature* on written client reports and evaluations;
 - (d) *For audiograms, the following information:*
 - (i) *The licensee's signature;*
 - (ii) *Audiometer used;*
 - (iii) *Calibration date;*
 - (iv) *License number; and*
 - (v) *The applicable American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard;*
 - [(d)] (e) (text unchanged)
 - [(e)] (f) All documents related to referrals *or orders*; and
 - (2) (text unchanged)
- I.—L. (text unchanged)

10.41.03 Licensure and Continuing Education

Authority: Health Occupations Article, §§2-205, 2-302, 2-302.2, 2-304, 2-305, 2-308, 2-310, 2-310.2, [2-311(c)] 2-311(d), 2-312(b), 2-314(11), and 2-314.9, Annotated Code of Maryland

.02 Definitions.

- A. (text unchanged)
- B. Terms Defined.
 - (1)—(2) (text unchanged)
 - [(3)] “Credit” means 1 semester hour except when specified in these regulations. “Credit” is used only with reference to fulfilling academic requirements for original licensure application.]
 - [(4)] (3) (text unchanged)
 - (4) *Credit.*
 - (a) *“Credit” means 1 semester hour except when otherwise specified in these regulations.*
 - (b) *“Credit” is used only with reference to fulfilling academic requirements for original licensure application.*
 - (5) (text unchanged)
 - (6) *“Health screening” means a non-diagnostic assessment on an individual to check for a health condition before there are signs and symptoms.*
 - [(6)] (7)—[(7)] (8) (text unchanged)

.03 Licensure Requirements.

A. (text unchanged)

B. Supervision of Professional Experience for Audiologists.

(1) Supervisory Plan for Audiologists.

(a)—(b) (text unchanged)

[(c) The Board may accept completion of the clinical fellowship required for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Certificate of Clinical Competence or completion of the mentored practice required for American Board of Audiology Certification as meeting the requirements for supervised practice in this chapter.]

(2) (text unchanged)

(3) To complete a clinical training, the applicant shall [be employed as a professional] *gain professional experience* in the field of audiology under appropriate on-site direct supervision for not less than [9] 12 months with a minimum of 36 hours of work per week. This requirement may also be met with part-time employment as follows:

(a) [14—16] 16 hours a week for a period of [24] 27 months;

(b) [17—20] 24 hours a week for a period of 18 months; *or*

(c) [21—24] 32 hours a week for a period of [15] 14 months[;].

[(d) 25—35 hours a week for a period of 12 months.]

(4) At least 80 percent of the applicant's [employment] *professional experience* during the clinical training shall be in direct client contact which includes:

(a)—(b) (text unchanged)

(c) Treatment/*management*, such as:

(i)—(iii) (text unchanged)

(d) (text unchanged)

(5) An individual serving as a supervisor:

(a)—(b) (text unchanged)

(c) [Shall] *May not* supervise [not] more than [three] *two* limited licensees at one time; and

(d) (text unchanged)

(6) (text unchanged)

(7) Change in Supervisor or [Place of] Professional [Employment] *Experience Training Site*.

(a) During the period of limited licensure, if an individual changes supervisor, or [place of] professional [employment] *experience training site*, or both, the individual shall submit a revised supervisory plan to the Board for Board approval.

(b) (text unchanged)

(8) (text unchanged)

C. Supervision of Clinical Fellowship for Speech Pathologists.

(1)—(2) (text unchanged)

(3) To complete a clinical fellowship, the applicant shall [be employed as a professional] *gain professional experience* in the field of speech-language pathology under appropriate supervision for not less than 9 months with a minimum of 30 hours of work per week. This requirement may also be met with part-time employment as follows:

(a)—(c) (text unchanged)

(4) At least 80 percent of the applicant's [employment] *professional experience* during the clinical fellowship shall be in direct client contact, which includes:

(a)—(d) (text unchanged)

(5)—(6) (text unchanged)

(7) Change in Supervisor or [Place of] Professional [Employment] *Experience Training Site*.

(a) During the period of limited licensure, if an individual changes supervisor, or [place of] professional [employment] *experience training site*, or both, the individual shall submit a revised supervisory plan to the Board for Board approval.

(b) (text unchanged)

(8) (text unchanged)

D. (text unchanged)

.06 Continuing Education Requirements.

A. Required Continuing Education Units.

(1) *Each licensed speech-language pathologist shall complete a minimum 1 hour of cultural competency prior to the initial renewal of the license.*

(2) *Prior to the initial renewal of the license, each licensed audiologist shall complete a minimum of:*

(a) *1 hour CEU of cultural competency;*

(b) *2 hours CEUs related to ordering cultures and bloodwork testing as it relates to the auditory or vestibular conditions in the human ear; and*

(c) *2 hours CEUs related to ordering of radiographic imaging as it relates to the auditory or vestibular conditions in the human ear.*

[(1)] (3) Within the 2-year renewal period immediately preceding the licensee's application for renewal, the licensee shall earn 30 continuing education units (CEUs) as follows:

(a)—(b) (text unchanged)

(c) Related training that does not include annual training requirements for:

- (i) Job orientation; *or*
- (ii) Job maintenance[; *or*].
- [(iii) Other general training or information related to human health.]
- [(2)] (4)—[(5)] (7) (text unchanged)
- B.—H. (text unchanged)

10.41.05 Music Therapy

Authority: Health Occupations Article, §§2-101, 2-201, 2-202(a), 2-206(a) and (d)(2), 2-501, and 2-4A-01—2-4A-25, Annotated Code of Maryland

.02 Definitions.

- A. (text unchanged)
- B. Terms Defined.
 - (1)—(2) (text unchanged)
 - (3) *"Continuing Music Therapy Education (CMTE)" means continuing music therapy education that is 50 minutes in duration and is equivalent to 1 continuing education hour.*
 - (4) *"Health screening" means a non-diagnostic assessment on an individual to check for a health condition before there are signs and symptoms.*
 - [(3)] (5)—[(5)] (7) (text unchanged)

.04 Renewal of Licensure.

- A.—B. (text unchanged)
- C. At least [1 month] *60 days* before a license expires, the Board shall send to the licensee, by first-class mail or email to the last known address of the licensee, a renewal notice that states the:
 - (1)—(3) (text unchanged)
- D.—E. (text unchanged)

.05 Continuing Education Requirements.

- A. The continuing education requirements shall include proof of completion of at least 40 [hours] *CMTEs* of continuing education in a program approved by CBMT or any successor organization approved by the Board that includes:
 - (1) A minimum of 1 [CEU] *CMTE* in the area of cultural competency;
 - (2) A minimum of 1 [CEU] *CMTE* in the area of ethics;
 - (3) [Supervision] *A minimum of 2 CMTEs in the area of supervision; and*
 - [(4)] Billing;
 - (5) Interdisciplinary collaboration; and]
 - [(6)] (4) Related training that does not include annual training requirements for:
 - (a) Job orientation; *or*
 - (b) Job maintenance[; *or*].
 - [(c) Other general training or information related to human health.]
- [B. It is recommended that a licensee applying for the renewal of a license successfully complete, within the 2-year licensing period as a part of the required 40 hours of Board-approved continuing education programs, a minimum of 2 CEUs in the area of supervision.]
- [C.] B. (text unchanged)

.06 Continuing Education Audit Procedures.

- A. *At each renewal period, the Board shall audit 10 percent of the renewal applications received for the renewal period.*
- B. *The two Board members who are licensed professional music therapists shall be audited for the required CMTEs.*
- C. *The Board shall send notification of audit to licensees subject to audit.*
- D. *The licensee being audited shall submit to the Board official certificates or transcripts via mail or by electronic means showing evidence of the continuing education required for renewal by the date indicated on the audit notification.*
- E. *The Board may take formal disciplinary action against the licensee in accordance with COMAR 10.41.13, if the licensee:*
 - (1) *Submits a false statement of continuing education; or*
 - (2) *Fails to submit the required documents by the date indicated on an audit notification.*

10.41.07 Cerumen Management

Authority: Health Occupations Article, §§2-101(n) and [2-205(a)(1)] 2-205(1), Annotated Code of Maryland

.02 Definitions.

- A. (text unchanged)
- B. Terms Defined.
 - (1) (text unchanged)
 - [(2)] "Medical liaison" means a cooperative arrangement for consultation with a physician, preferably an otolaryngologist.]

- (2) *“Foreign body” means any object or substance that enters the ear from the outside.*
- (3) (text unchanged)

.03 Limitations.

[A. Before the removal of cerumen, the licensee shall obtain the informed consent of the patient, or legally responsible adult, and maintain documentation.]

[B.] A. (text unchanged)

B. *Cerumen removal may not be performed if anesthesia is required to complete the procedure.*

.04 Training, Knowledge, and Skills.

[A.] *As documented in accredited audiology program standards, [The] the licensee shall be responsible for obtaining the training, knowledge, and skills necessary to [perform] remove [cerumen management].*

A. *Cerumen; or*

B. *A foreign body from the external auditory canal that is not impacted to the point that anesthesia is required.*

[B. Failure to obtain the training before performing cerumen management may subject the licensee to disciplinary action.

C. The licensee shall obtain training that includes:

(1) Principles of cerumen management including the anatomy of the ear canal and the ear drum and classification of cerumen;

(2) Use of instruments;

(3) Techniques for cerumen removal;

(4) Recognition of complications;

(5) Recognition of contraindications including but not limited to:

(a) Only hearing ear;

(b) Perforated tympanic membrane;

(c) Inflammation, tenderness, or drainage from the ear canal or middle ear;

(d) Ear surgery within the past 6 months or tympanostomy tubes;

(e) Diabetes mellitus, HIV infection, bleeding disorder, or other medical contraindications;

(f) Actual or suspected foreign body;

(g) Stenosis or bony exostosis of the ear canal;

(h) Dizziness occurring during cerumen removal;

(i) Cerumen impaction that totally occludes the ear canal; and

(6) Clinical experience gained under the direct supervision of a qualified professional.

D. The licensee shall maintain documentation evidencing the satisfactory completion of the required training.]

10.41.08 Hearing Aid Dispensing

Authority: Health Occupations Article, §§2-101(d), 2-205, 2-302.1, 2-304, 2-308, 2-310.1, 2-311(c), 2-311—2-314.8, 2-314(10) and (11), and 2-314.9, Annotated Code of Maryland

[.01-1] .02 Definitions.

A. (text unchanged)

B. Terms Defined.

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) *“Health screening” means a non-diagnostic assessment on an individual to check for a health condition before there are signs and symptoms.*

(3) *“Hearing aid dome” means a small silicone or plastic tip that fits over the speaker (receiver) of a Receiver-in Canal (RIC) hearing aid.*

(4) *“Locked hearing aid” means a hearing aid that restricts a licensed hearing aid dispenser from using locked, proprietary software, proprietary programming software, or unlocked programming software to program, fit, or modify the hearing aid.*

[(2)] (5)—[(4)] (7) (text unchanged)

.03 Scope of Practice.

A. *A licensed hearing aid dispenser may not perform any of the following:*

(1) *For pediatric patients:*

(a) *Testing;*

(b) *Ordering, selling, dispensing, or fitting a prescription hearing aid; or*

(c) *Programming, modifying, or repairing a hearing aid;*

(2) *Tinnitus testing, evaluations, counseling, management, device fitting, troubleshooting, programming verification or follow-up;*

(3) *Immittance testing to include tympanometry, acoustic reflexes, acoustic delay, or eustachian tube dysfunction testing;*

(4) *Cochlear implant evaluation, counseling, device selection, activation, programming, reprogramming, verification, or testing;*

(5) *The removal of cerumen from the external auditory canal; or*

(6) *The removal of a foreign body from the external auditory canal.*

B. *A licensed hearing aid dispenser may remove a hearing aid dome, except for the following clients:*

(1) *If the client is diabetic;*

(2) *If the client is on prescription or over-the-counter blood thinners;*

(3) *If the client's hearing aid dome is beyond the second bend in the auditory canal;*

(4) *If the client has a bleeding disorder;*

(5) *If the client has a tympanic membrane perforation;*

(6) *If the client has HIV/AIDS; or*

(7) *If the client has a surgically altered ear.*

[.03] .05 Examinations - General.

A. (text unchanged)

B. Except for an applicant who holds a valid license to provide hearing aid dispenser services in another state or an applicant who holds a valid license to practice medicine in this State or any other state, the applicant shall obtain 6 months training under the supervision of a licensed hearing aid dispenser *or licensed audiologist* before taking the examination given by the Board.

C. The Board shall:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) Request that an applicant, who holds a valid license to practice medicine in this State or any other state and intends to sell hearing aids at retail, [take] *pass* the practical examination given by the Board to ensure adequate protection to the consumer.

D. (text unchanged)

E. Before taking the Hearing Aid Dispensing Examination, a candidate shall provide the Board with [a certificate of completion of the International Hearing Society course entitled "Distance Learning for the Professional in Hearing Health Sciences"] *documentation of completion of a nationally recognized, comprehensive hearing aid dispensing training course approved by the Board.*

[.06] .08 Practice of Limited Licensee.

A.—B. (text unchanged)

C. The supervising hearing aid dispenser *or audiologist* shall be immediately available and physically on-site.

D. Supervision shall include training in those areas of the examination outlined in [Regulation .05] *Regulation .07* of this chapter.

E.—J. (text unchanged)

K. The supervisor of a limited licensee:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) Shall conduct all required direct and continuous supervision as defined in §B of this regulation, at a Maryland [hearing aid dispensing] practice [only] *which dispenses hearing aids;*

(3)—(6) (text unchanged)

[.08] .09 Testing Procedures.

A. The licensee or holder of a limited license who is engaged in the fitting and dispensing of hearing aids shall use appropriate *non-diagnostic* testing procedures for a hearing aid fitting.

B. The licensee or holder of a limited license shall perform the following minimum testing procedures on each client evaluated prior to the fitting of a hearing aid or hearing aids:

(1)—(2) (text unchanged)

(3) Word recognition scores obtained using recorded [word lists] *stimuli* or monitored live voice. Presentation level shall be at least [40dB] *40dBHL* above speech recognition threshold or [at least 5dB above the threshold at 2000Hz, or both, if within level of tolerance] *uncomfortable listening levels (UCL) minus 5dBHL.*

C. (text unchanged)

D. The use of probe microphone measurements are recommended to verify the audibility of speech at [50dB] *50dBSPL*, [65dB] *65dBSPL*, and [80dB] *80dBSPL* input levels as well as MPO measurements to avoid damage to the peripheral auditory system and check comfort of the hearing aid users.

E. The hearing aid dispenser shall:

(1) Maintain and retain all test results as part of a client's record. Part or all of the tests may be performed by [an otologist or] *a clinical audiologist*, but the test may not be more than 6 months old for the use of a hearing device fitting; and

(2) (text unchanged)

F. (text unchanged)

G. Before fitting or selling a hearing aid to a potential client, the licensee shall refer the client to a physician, preferably one specializing in the diseases of the ear, if the licensee determines that the client has any of the following [conditions] *Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) red flag warnings:*

(1)—(9) (text unchanged)

[.10] .11 Disclosure.

A. A licensee shall deliver to an individual supplied with a hearing aid[,] a receipt, *that complies with the State Hearing Aid Sales Act in accordance with Commercial Law Article, §14-2503, Annotated Code of Maryland, and Health Occupations Article, §2-314.8, Annotated Code of Maryland*, containing:

(1)—(4) (text unchanged)

(5) *Date of the consummation of the sale;*

[(5)] (6) [Other terms of the sale, stated clearly] *The terms of any guarantee or written warranty, as required by federal law or regulations, made to the purchaser with respect to the hearing aid;* and

[(6)] (7) (text unchanged)

B. (text unchanged)

[.11] .12 Continuing Education Requirements.

A. *Prior to the initial renewal of the license, each licensed individual shall obtain a minimum of 5 hours of CEUs specific to the removal of hearing aid domes. This training shall be conducted by a licensed audiologist or physician who specializes in diseases of the ear and include, at minimum:*

(1) *1 hour of infection control;*

(2) *1 hour of didactic instruction in the anatomy and physiology of the external auditory canal;*

(3) *1 hour of contraindications; and*

(4) *1 hour of supervised, hands-on clinical training in the removal of a hearing aid dome from the external auditory canal.*

[A.] B.—[F.] G. (text unchanged)

10.41.11 Speech-Language Pathology Assistants and Audiology Assistants

Authority: Health Occupations Article, §§2-101, 2-102, 2-205, 2-308, 2-311(c), 2-312(b), 2-314, 2-319, [2-3A 01—2-3A-07] 2-3B 01—2-3B-07, 2-401, 2-402.4, and 2-406, Annotated Code of Maryland

.01 Definitions.

A. (text unchanged)

B. Terms Defined.

(1)—(4) (text unchanged)

(5) “Delegation agreement” means an agreement between: [a speech-language pathology assistant or an audiology assistant and a supervising speech-language pathologist or audiologist which identifies the supervising speech-language pathologist or audiologist and the facility at which the speech-language pathology assistant or the audiology assistant will be practicing.]

(a) *A speech-language pathology assistant and a supervising speech-language pathologist which identifies the supervising speech-language pathologist and the facility at which the speech-language pathology assistant will be practicing; or*

(b) *An audiology assistant and a supervising audiologist which identifies the supervising audiologist and the facility at which the audiology assistant will be practicing.*

(6) Direct supervision.

(a) (text unchanged)

(b) “Direct supervision” includes:

(i) [the] *The supervising audiologist viewing and communicating with the [speech-language pathology assistant or] audiology assistant via telecommunication technology to provide clinical services[.]; or*

(ii) *The supervising speech-language pathologist viewing and communicating with the speech-language pathology assistant via telecommunication technology to provide clinical services.*

(c) “[Dir ect] Direct supervision” does not include reviewing a recorded session at a later time.

(7) “General supervision” means the supervision of a licensed:

(a) [speech-language pathology assistant or audiology] *Audiology assistant by a licensed [speech-language pathologist or] audiologist who may or may not be present when the licensed [speech-language pathology assistant or] audiology assistant assists in the practice of [speech-language pathology or] audiology[.]; or*

(b) *Speech-language pathology assistant by a licensed speech-language pathologist who may or may not be present when the licensed speech-language pathology assistant assists in the practice of speech-language pathology.*

(8) (text unchanged)

(9) “Professional development hour (PDH)” means *1 contact hour of instruction, presentation, or study.*

[(9)] (10)—[(11)] (12) (text unchanged)

.06 Speech-Language Pathology Assistant or Audiology Assistant Scope of Practice.

A.—B. (text unchanged)

C. Activities within the scope of practice of a speech-language pathology assistant [or an audiology assistant] may include the following:

(1)—(4) (text unchanged)

(5) Participating with the supervising speech-language pathologist [or audiologist] in research projects, in-service training, and public relations programs; *and*

(6) Assisting the speech-language pathologists [or audiologists] during patient assessments[; and

(7) Assisting the audiologists with basic diagnostic tests, such as audiometry and tympanometry].

D. Activities not within the scope of practice of a speech-language pathology assistant or an audiology assistant include:

(1) [Performing or interpreting] *Interpreting* the results of [diagnostic evaluations] *testing*;

(2)—(8) (text unchanged)

E. (text unchanged)

.07 Supervisor Responsibilities.

A. A supervising:

(1) [speech-language] *Speech-language* pathologist [or audiologist] is responsible for the direction of all client services provided by a speech-language pathology assistant [or an audiology assistant.]; *or*

(2) *Audiologist is responsible for the direction of all client services provided by an audiology assistant.*

B. A licensed full-time (35 hours or more a week):

(1) [speech-language] *Speech-language* pathologist [or audiologist] may not supervise more than the equivalent of two full-time (35 hours or more a week) speech-language pathology assistants [or audiology assistants.]; *or*

(2) *Audiologist may not supervise more than the equivalent of two full-time (35 hours or more a week) audiology assistants.*

C. A licensed part-time (less than 35 hours a week):

(1) [speech-language] *Speech-language* pathologist [or audiologist] may not supervise more than the equivalent of one full-time (35 hours a week) speech-language pathology [assistant or audiology assistant.] *assistant; or*

(2) *Audiologist may not supervise more than the equivalent of two full-time (35 hours a week) audiology assistant.*

D. A supervising speech-language pathologist or audiologist shall:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) Maintain on-going contact with all clients seen by a speech-language pathology assistant [or an audiology assistant] by participating in:

(a)—(b) (text unchanged)

(3)—(9) (text unchanged)

.09 License Renewal.

A.—B. (text unchanged)

C. At least [1 month] *60 days* before the license expires, the Board shall notify the speech-language pathology assistant or the audiology assistant of the date the license expires and the procedures for renewing the license.

D.—F. (text unchanged)

G. A licensee who has failed to renew a license to practice in this State by June [30] *1* of the year in which the license is due to be renewed is prohibited from practicing in this State.

H. (text unchanged)

.10 Continuing Education Requirements.

A. A speech-language pathology assistant [or an audiology assistant] shall obtain CEUs as a means of staying current in the field.

B. The speech-language pathology assistant [or the audiology assistant] shall earn a minimum of ten CEUs as a condition of renewal as follows:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) Five CEUs in work-related areas that may include the recommended completion of:

(a)—(b) (text unchanged)

(c) Related training that does not include annual training requirements for:

(i) Job orientation; *or*

(ii) Job maintenance[]; *or*

(iii) Other general information related to health care[].

C. *An audiology assistant shall obtain CEUs or PDHs as a means of staying current in the field.*

D. *The audiology assistant shall earn a minimum of ten CEUs or PDHs as a condition of renewal as follows:*

(1) *Five CEUs or PDHs in the area of clinical practice; and*

(2) *Five CEUs or PDHs in work-related areas that may include the recommended completion of:*

(a) *A minimum of 1 CEU in the area of cultural competency;*

(b) *A minimum of 1 CEU in the area of ethics; and*

(c) *Related training that does not include annual training requirements for:*

(i) *Job orientation; or*

(ii) *Job maintenance.*

E. *As a condition of renewal, an audiology assistant shall obtain the signature of the supervising audiologist verifying the CEUs or PDHs completed by the assistant during the renewal period.*

[C.] F. The speech-language pathology assistant or the audiology assistant shall retain records documenting completion of CEUs *or PDHs*.

[D.] G. (text unchanged)

[E.] H. If the speech-language pathology assistant or the audiology assistant is audited by the Board, the speech-language pathology assistant or the audiology assistant shall submit to the Board the following:

(1)—(2) (text unchanged)

(3) Documentation of earned CEUs *or PDHs* completed within the 2 years immediately preceding the license expiration date.

10.41.12 Supervision of Students

Authority: Health Occupations Article, §§2-205 and 2-302, Annotated Code of Maryland

.03 Supervision.

A.—E. (text unchanged)

F. The licensed audiologist or speech-language pathologist acting as a supervisor shall have 3 years post-degree clinical experience[, including clinical fellowship].

.04 Exceptions.

A. An audiology student who is enrolled full-time [as a 4th] *in the final year as a* doctoral student at a university and has completed 375 clinical training hours with 100 percent direct on-site supervision may utilize the following schedule as a minimum for supervision:

(1) For 3 months or the first 1/3 of the [4th] *final* year of clinical work, whichever is longer – 90 percent on-site supervision;

(2) For 3 months or the second 1/3 of the [4th] *final* year of clinical work, whichever is longer – 75 percent on-site supervision; and

(3) For 3 months or the last 1/3 of the [4th] *final* year of clinical work, whichever is longer – 50 percent on-site supervision.

B. (text unchanged)

C. An audiology student who is enrolled full-time [as a fourth] *in the final year as a* doctoral student at a university and holds a hearing aid dispenser license shall follow the requirements of §A of this regulation while working toward the degree.

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