

Area: Professional Concerns
Subject: Continuing Education
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POLICY

It is the policy of the clinical service programs of the Department of Communication Disorders (Center for Communication Disorders, Access Network, Southern Connecticut Audiology Services) that all staff shall be involved in some aspect of continuing education during each calendar year.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that clinical service program staff are current and knowledgeable in developments in the field of communication disorders and related areas, and in the pedagogy of clinical education, in order to provide the most appropriate service to their students and clients.

PROCEDURES

1. The clinical service program staff will be encouraged to participate in courses, workshops, lectures, and continuing education programs in communication disorders and related areas, on the local, regional and national levels.
2. The clinical service program staff will be given released time by the Department to attend professional conferences.
3. The University and Department will aid clinical service program staff in obtaining reimbursement funds available through State labor agreements for attendance at, and participation in, professional conferences.
4. The clinical service program staff will be obligated to meet continuing education requirements necessary for maintenance of Connecticut state licensure and ASHA certification in their area(s) of professional practice, including obligations for clinical educator and ethics training.