

1 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

2 KENTUCKY BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

3 (Amendment)

4 201 KAR 17:032. Requirements for interim licensure as an audiologist.

5 RELATES TO: KRS 334A.185(2)

6 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 334A.055, 334A.080(3), 334A.185(2)

7 NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 334A.080(3) requires the Board of
8 Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology to promulgate responsible administrative regula-
9 tions, including administrative regulations which delineate qualifications for licensure and re-
10 newal of licensure. KRS 334A.055 requires applicants seeking an initial license to engage in a
11 profession authorized by the board to obtain a national and state criminal background investiga-
12 tion by the Kentucky State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This administrative
13 regulation establishes requirements for interim licensure as an audiologist.

14 Section 1. Application for Licensure

15 (1) Each applicant for licensure as an interim audiologist shall:

16 (a) Submit an "Application for Interim License", DPL-SLPA-01, which is incorporated by
17 reference in 201 KAR 17:011;

18 (b) Pay the fee as established in 201 KAR 17:030;

19 (c) Submit an official academic transcript sent directly by the academic institution to the
20 board; and

21 (d) Have the results of a national and state criminal background investigation performed

1 within the last ninety (90) days by the Department of Kentucky State Police (KSP) and the Fed-
2 eral Bureau of Investigation (FBI) submitted directly to the board. The applicant shall pay any
3 required fee to the KSP and FBI. Any cases officially expunged shall not have to be disclosed by
4 the applicant and shall not be considered by the board as a conviction.

5 Section 2. Education and Experience.

6 (1) Each applicant for interim licensure in audiology in Kentucky shall provide a certified tran-
7 script confirming attainment of a Doctorate degree in audiology or a related field, or possess
8 equivalent education as described in subsection (2) of this section, excluding the Au.D. or sub-
9 stantive equivalent from a program accredited by the Council for Academic Accreditation of the
10 American Speech Language Hearing Association or the Accreditation Commission for Audiolo-
11 gy Education of the American Academy of Audiology.

12 (2) An applicant shall have equivalent education if the applicant holds a doctoral degree in audi-
13 ology, excluding the Au.D., from a program accredited by the Council for Academic Accredita-
14 tion of the American Speech Language Hearing Association or the Accreditation Commission
15 for Audiology Education of the American Academy of Audiology.

16 ~~[(3) The applicant shall submit to the board a written description verifying completion of the re-~~
17 ~~quired academic coursework and supervised clinical experience on the Application for Interim~~
18 ~~License, with required supporting documentation. Credit shall not be allowed for courses listed~~
19 ~~on the application unless satisfactory completion is verified by an official transcript. Satisfactory~~
20 ~~completion shall exist if the applicant has received academic credit (semester hours, quarter~~
21 ~~hours, or other unit of credit) with a passing grade as defined by the training institution. A signed~~
22 ~~letter from the department chair or a director of graduate studies confirming all coursework and~~
23 ~~clinical hours have been met shall be provided if an official transcript is not yet available.]~~

1 Section 3. Supervision.[(4)]

2 (1) The interim licensee shall function under the supervision of an appropriate supervisor as de-
3 finied in KRS 334A.185(2).

4 (2) Application for interim licensure shall be made within thirty (30) days of securing a supervi-
5 sor and shall be completed under the supervision of a licensed audiologist. [approval of academic
6 coursework and supervised clinical experience shall be made as soon as possible after comple-
7 tion of these experiences, and either before or within thirty (30) days after the postgraduate pro-
8 fessional experience is begun.]

9 (3) Supervision shall be completed under an individual who holds a valid Kentucky audiology
10 license.

11 (4) Supervision shall include eighteen (18) on-site observations of direct client contact at the in-
12 terim licensee's work site.

13 1. One (1) hour shall equal one (1) on-site supervision.

14 2. A maximum of six (6) on-site observations may be accrued in one (1) day.

15 3. At least six (6) on-site observations shall be accrued during each third of the experi-
16 ence.

17 4. These on-site observations shall be of the interim licensee providing screening, eval-
18 uation, assessment, habilitation, or rehabilitation.

19 (c) The supervision shall include eighteen (18) other monitoring activities.

20 1. At least six (6) other monitoring activities shall be completed during each of the three
21 (3) segments of the postgraduate professional experience.

22 2. These other monitoring activities may be executed by correspondence, review of vid-
23 eotapes or audiotapes, evaluation of written reports, phone conferences with the interim licen-

1 see, or evaluations by professional colleagues.

2 (d) The supervisor periodically shall conduct a formal evaluation of the applicant's pro-
3 gress in the development of professional skills.

4 Section 4. Postgraduate professional experience.

5 (1) An interim audiologist shall successfully complete a period of postgraduate professional ex-
6 perience.

7 (2)[(5)] A written plan for postgraduate professional experience shall be submitted with the ap-
8 plication for interim licensure. [within thirty (30) days after initiating the postgraduate profes-
9 sional experience. The applicant shall proceed to obtain postgraduate professional experience
10 under a supervisor who is a licensed audiologist. An applicant for interim licensure shall submit
11 a completed Application for Interim Licensure to the board.]

12 [(6) Postgraduate professional experience.

13 (a) After completion of academic coursework and clinical practicum, the applicant shall suc-
14 cessfully complete a period of postgraduate professional experience.]

15 (3)[(b)] The postgraduate professional experience shall consist of the following: [at least thirty-
16 six (36) weeks of full-time professional experience to consist of a minimum of thirty-five (35)
17 work hours a week or its part-time equivalent as follows:]

18 (a)[1-] At least eighty (80) percent of the major responsibilities during the postgraduate
19 professional experience shall be in direct client contact consultations, recordkeeping, and
20 administrative duties;

21 (b)[2-] Postgraduate professional experience shall not total less than 1,260 hours;

22 (c)[3-] Once initiated, postgraduate professional experience shall be accumulated within
23 twenty-four (24) months. An extension of the postgraduate professional experience may be

1 requested utilizing the "Application for Extension of Interim License", DPL-SLPA-03,
2 which is incorporated by reference in 201 KAR 17:011. An extension may be granted by
3 the board [~~This may be extended~~] in the event of:

4 1.[a.] Illness;

5 2.[b.] Change in employment status;

6 3.[c.] Family care issue; or

7 4.[d.] Other extraordinary occurrence impacting one's ability to complete the postgradu-
8 ate professional experience;

9 (d)[4.] Professional experience of less than five hours per week shall not meet the require-
10 ment and shall not be counted toward postgraduate professional experience; and

11 (e)[5. Experience of more than thirty five (35) hours per week shall not be used to shorten
12 the postgraduate professional experience to less than thirty six (36) weeks; and

13 6. Extension of the postgraduate professional experience may be granted in the event of:

14 a. Illness;

15 b. Change in employment status;

16 c. Family care issue; or

17 d. Other extraordinary occurrence impacting one's ability to complete the postgraduate pro-
18 fessional experience.

19 (7)] Supervision shall be completed under the supervision of an individual who holds a valid
20 license in audiology issued by Kentucky or a state that borders Kentucky.

21 (a) The postgraduate professional experience supervisor shall not engage in fewer than
22 thirty six (36) supervisory activities during the postgraduate professional experience.

23 (b) This supervision shall include eighteen (18) on-site observations of direct client contact at the

interim licensee's work site.

~~1. One (1) hour shall equal one (1) on-site supervision.~~

~~2. A maximum of six (6) on-site observations may be accrued in one (1) day.~~

~~3. At least six (6) on-site observations shall be accrued during each third of the experience.~~

~~4. These on-site observations shall be of the interim licensee providing screening, evaluation, assessment, habilitation, or rehabilitation.~~

~~(c) The supervision shall include eighteen (18) other monitoring activities.~~

~~1. At least six (6) other monitoring activities shall be completed during each of the three (3) segments of the postgraduate professional experience.~~

~~2. These other monitoring activities may be executed by correspondence, review of videotapes or audiotapes, evaluation of written reports, phone conferences with the interim licensee, or evaluations by professional colleagues.~~

~~(d) The supervisor periodically shall conduct a formal evaluation of the applicant's progress in the development of professional skills.]~~

~~(6) [(8)]~~ A person with an interim license shall take and pass a national PRAXIS examination in audiology. Official documentation of scores shall be sent to the board directly from Educational Testing Services. A person with an interim license shall continue to practice under supervision if a successful score is not achieved. If the applicant is unable to obtain a passing score within twenty-four (24) months, the applicant shall seek board approval to continue to practice.

~~[Section 2. Incorporation by Reference.~~

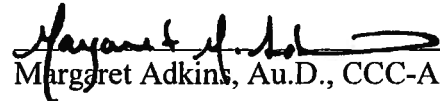
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