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## BOARD OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY EXAMINERS

[Prior to 8/24/88, see Health Department[470] Ch 155]

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**645—299.1(147) General definitions.**

“*Audiologist*” means a person who engages in the application of principles, methods and procedures for measurement, testing, evaluation, prediction, consultation, counseling, instruction, habilitation, rehabilitation, or remediation related to disorders of hearing and associated communication disorders for the purpose of nonmedically evaluating, identifying, preventing, ameliorating, modifying, or remediating such disorders and conditions in individuals or groups of individuals, including the determination and use of appropriate amplification.

“*Board*” means the board of speech pathology and audiology examiners.

“*Department*” means the department of public health.

“*Speech pathologist*” means a person who engages in the application of principles, methods, and procedures for the measurement, testing, evaluation, prediction, consultation, counseling, instruction, habilitation, rehabilitation, or remediation related to the development and disorders of speech, fluency, voice, or language for the purposes of nonmedically evaluating, preventing, ameliorating, modifying, or remediating such disorders and conditions in individuals or groups of individuals.

**645—299.2(147) Availability of information.**

**299.2(1)** All information regarding rules, forms, time and place of meetings, minutes of meetings, record of hearings, and examination results are available to the public between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, except holidays.

**299.2(2)** Information may be obtained by writing to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology Examiners, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075. All official correspondence shall be in writing and directed to the board at this address.

**645—299.3(147) Organization and proceedings.**

**299.3(1) Chairperson.** The chairperson of the board shall:

- a. Be selected by the members of the board.
- b. Preside at all meetings of the board and conduct the meeting following Robert’s Rules of Order.
- c. Appoint committees as is deemed necessary to study issues.

**299.3(2) Vice-chairperson.** The vice-chairperson of the board shall:

- a. Be selected by the members of the board.
- b. Act in capacity of chairperson in the absence of that officer.

**299.3(3) Secretary.** The secretary of the board shall:

- a. Be selected by the members of the board.
- b. Act in capacity of chairperson in the absence of officers representing the chairperson and vice-chairperson.

- c. Keep an accurate and complete record of all transactions of the board.

**299.3(4) Quorum.** Four members of the seven-member board shall represent a quorum. Business shall not be conducted in the absence of a quorum.

**645—299.4(147) General.**

**299.4(1)** All material sent to the board for review must be submitted at least two weeks before a regularly scheduled meeting. Materials received after this time will be reviewed at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board.

**299.4(2)** For those persons conducting hearing tests under the direct supervision of a licensed physician and surgeon or licensed osteopathic physician and surgeon functioning under Iowa Code section 147.152(1), “direct supervision” means the physician must order the hearing test performed on each individual patient and maintain control over the reading of the results. The person working under direct supervision of a physician must be able to show that the person did so at the direction of the physician and did nothing more than perform the hearing test. Direct supervision by a physician means the person conducting the hearing test does so in the usual location in which the physician performs medical services and sees patients. The physician must be readily available to respond to a request by a patient or the person conducting the hearing test.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 147 and 272C.

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