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OUT...WITH A BANG!

OSSPEAC would like to wish all of you a wonderful and restful summer and leave you with a few updates!



IMPORTANT!

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW

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WORKLOAD CALCULATOR UPDATE

- You will find helpful information and a form of the Related Services Workload Calculator on the ODE website: <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Special-Education/Service-Provider-Ratio-and-Workload-Calculation>. However, the calculator on the ODE website is not specifically SLP aligned. It is a more general version of the calculator to accommodate all related service providers. Also, the calculator on the ODE site is for full-time service providers only.
- We hope to have the SLP aligned calculator posted on the Upcycled SLP Guidelines soon (www.omnie.ocali.org)
- In the meantime here is a link to the SLP aligned calculator which you can use for both full-time and part-time SLPs. (Click Here).



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Do you have info. to share?

Email it to

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LICENSURE BOARD UPDATES

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All active licenses for speech-language pathology, audiology, and aides will expire on December 31, 2016, at midnight and must be renewed prior to January 1, 2017. The Board will mail an official renewal notice to all licensees in September 2016. You will receive your user name, password, and license number with instructions on how to renew online at the board's website. Over 98% of licensees renewed their license online during the last licensure biennium and completed the online renewal process within a short period of time. The license renewal fee will remain the same as the last biennium: \$120 to renew a speech-language pathology or audiology license, \$170 to renew a dual license, and \$50 to renew an aide license. A \$150 late fee will automatically be added to the applicable renewal fee if the license is not renewed by December 31, 2016. The Board strongly encourages online renewal through its secure website.

In addition, all licensees are required to earn twenty hours of continuing education within the two-year licensure period immediately preceding the licensee's renewal application. Ten continuing education hours shall be acquired in the area of licensure. For a speech-language pathology license the ten hours shall be specific to the clinical practice of speech-

language pathology; for an audiology license the ten hours shall be specific to the clinical practice of audiology. Ten continuing education hours may be acquired in areas related to speech-language pathology or audiology or both. Two of the twenty hours shall be related to ethics. A licensee is not required to obtain continuing education for their first renewal. This only applies after issuance of the initial license. Please refer to continuing education requirements under Ohio Administrative Code section 4753-4-01 for more information at: <http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/4753-4>.

Finally, please ensure that your contact information is current. If you changed your mailing address, e-mail address, or name since the last renewal in 2014, please take a moment to submit your updated information in writing at board@slpaud.ohio.gov. You may also update your contact information using your user ID/password at any time at the following link on our website: <https://license.ohio.gov/secure/login.asp>. If you do not have your assigned user ID/password, you may reset it by submitting a request to our website at: <https://license.ohio.gov/resetpass/>. Updating your contact information will ensure that you receive your renewal notice and subsequent reminders via e-mail in a timely manner. Additionally, all licensees are required to notify the board in writing through the U.S. mail, e-mail or fax of any change of name, place of business or mailing address within thirty days of the change.

On January 1, 2015, the ethics requirement for continuing education took effect. Licensees completing continuing education hours for the 2015-2016 biennium shall complete two of the twenty required hours related to ethics. Licensees have until December 31, 2016 to complete their twenty hours. Resources for obtaining continuing education related to ethics may be found on the licensure board's website at: <http://slpaud.ohio.gov/ethics.stm>. We would also like to remind licensees that you may report your continuing education hours to CE Broker. Licensees who report their twenty hours of continuing education to CE Broker are exempt from a continuing education audit. If you have not yet signed up with CE Broker, please visit our website at: <http://slpaud.ohio.gov/cebroke.stm> for complete details.

We look forward to renewing your license in the fall of 2016. If there are any questions about the renewal process, please do not hesitate to let us know.

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ASHA RESOURCES FOR SCHOOL-BASED DOCUMENTATION

- The ASHA website contains very helpful reference documents related to the documentation requirements for students receiving speech-language therapy services in the schools. On the <http://www.asha.org/SLP/Documentation-in-Schools/> page you will find links to many of the relevant federal documents such as the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), and IDEA 2004.
- Another very helpful page is <http://www.asha.org/SLP/Documentation-in-Schools-FAQs/>. The FAQ page details federal regulations related to all areas of documentation and covers a number of important questions. Examples include: "What constitutes an official school record? Does it include treatment notes, lesson plans, progress notes, notes to parents, personal notes, and 504 accommodation plans?" "What should be included in an assessment report?"





**MAY IS BETTER HEARING AND SPEECH
MONTH WINNER!**

Rebecca Combs won a free registration to one of the June OSSPEAC regional events! Here is her post on how BHSM was celebrated in her school: *Twix candy bars to our staff with a label saying: 'SLP's have good twix for great communication'*

Congratulations Rebecca!

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2016 CONFERENCE

THE OHIO SCHOOL SPEECH PATHOLOGY
EDUCATIONAL AUDIOLOGY COALITION

The 2016 OSSPEAC Conference will be held **October 9-11** at the Hyatt Regency, Columbus, Ohio. **Recharge** your motivation with Keynote Speaker Chris Klein on Sunday night. **Reconnect** with your colleagues throughout the conference. **Refocus** your services with inspiration from presenters, including; Dr. Judy Montgomery, Dr. Shari Robertson, Christine Brennan and many more.

