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PRESIDENT'S CORNER BY: Glenn Waguespack

The NCSB Board of Directors, under the direction of Program Chair Sherry Sancibrian, has been busy planning the program for the Fall Conference to be held October 10-12, 2013, at the historic Menger Hotel in San Antonio. Detailed information regarding the conference, as well as a registration form, are included elsewhere in this publication. The following paragraphs provide some of the conference highlights.

The Pre-Conference workshop, "Training for Board Members", will be presented all day on Thursday, October 10. In addition to legal information regarding laws and rules, the conference will feature a mock disciplinary hearing followed by ethical situations and dilemmas presented for an exercise in ethical decision making. The interactive workshop has become a popular introduction to the conference itself and furnishes attendees with flash drives containing information they can share with their respective regulatory boards.

In response to suggestions from the conference last year, the 2013 conference will highlight a number of issues currently facing regulatory boards. Among the most popular, and sometimes controversial, is the issue of telepractice and whether to implement statutory regulations governing this method of service delivery. The pros and cons of telepractice regulations will be discussed, as well as how the regulations have impacted regulatory boards and the professions as a whole. There will be an update on the audiology Praxis exam, and information will be presented regarding the standard setting study that will precede the development of a new SLP Praxis exam.

Sherry has planned a series of hot topics that will be discussed as part of a session entitled "Timed Timely Topics". Topics such as encroachment, sexual misconduct, deregulation threats, social networking, and inactive status will be presented in a format that will present information briefly and then allow for audience discussion on each topic. The traditional state information exchange will provide participants an opportunity to discuss successes and challenges in their states, and it is likely that some of those challenges will involve the topics covered in the short presentation format.

Other topics of interest include specifics regarding continuing education, hearing aid issues (including internet sales), and board management processes. The conference ends with a discussion of support personnel and will cover who is regulated in various states and how those individuals contribute to service delivery in terms of scope of practice issues and preferred practice patterns.

It is hoped that all state boards send at least one representative to the NCSB Conference. One of the mission statements of NCSB is to facilitate communication among licensure boards. This conference provides an excellent opportunity for networking and also brings to the forefront issues that face regulatory boards. One such issue is the implementation of regulation for unlicensed practice, and although no one session is devoted to this topic, it is a topic that will be brought up during the state information exchange.

NCSB encourages state boards to share information and issues facing their state. Even if you are unable to attend the conference, please take the time to forward your issues and concerns to one of the members of the Board of Directors. The issue(s) will be discussed in a future edition of the newsletter and may also serve as a topic for discussion at the 2014 conference. During the initial stages of legislation regulating the practice of speech-language pathology and audiology, states were primarily concerned with the scope of practice and preferred practice patterns. Since that time, issues have arisen that directly impact consumers of our services, and now

states are being faced with re-examining what heretofore seemed like the “perfect” law. One such example is the inclusion of regulations for continuing education. Now all but four states mandate continuing education as a condition of licensure renewal, and states have moved on to regulations regarding universal licensure, unlicensed practice, scope of practice issues, the doctoral level for audiology, telepractice, and support personnel.

It is unfortunate that there is no one model licensure law that is applicable to all states; however, NCSB hopes to serve as a vehicle for gathering regulatory information and sharing it with state licensing boards. For more information about NCSB and the upcoming conference, log onto <http://www.ncsb.info>, or contact any member of the NCSB Board of Directors. We hope to see you in San Antonio in October.

2013 FALL BOARD TRAINING

NCSB's 26th Annual Conference
San Antonio, Texas
October 10, 2013



- 8:00 - 8:30** **Introduction and Overview** - Theresa Rodgers
Manual for Board Members - Glenn Waguespack
- 8:30 - 9:45** **Statutory Authority** - Ayn Stehr
Anatomy of a Statute: SLP and Audiology Practice Acts
Administrative Rulemaking in the Professions
Disciplining Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists
- 9:45 - 10:00** **BREAK**
- 10:00 - 11:30** **Statutory Authority** (Continued)
- 11:30 -12:45** **LUNCH** (On Your Own)
- 12:45 - 2:15** **Mock Disciplinary Hearing** - Cast of Characters
Hearing Officer - Glenn Waguespack
Asst. Attorney General - Theresa Rodgers
Defense Attorney - Nahale Kalfas
Investigator - Sherry Sancibrian
Complainant/John Anderson - George Purvis
Defense Witness 1/Marie Smith - Doreen Oyadomari
Defense Witness 2/SLP Assistant - Alison Lemke
Licensee/Paula Robinson - Kerri Phillips
Hearing Panel - Audience Members
- 2:15 - 2:30** **Credentialing: A Comparison of National Certification and Licensure** - Theresa Rodgers
- 2:30 - 2:45** **BREAK**
- 2:45 - 5:00** **Putting It into Practice** - Theresa Rodgers and Glenn Waguespack
Review of Complaints
Consent Order and Agreement Activity
Ethical Decision-Making

Prickly Issues in Licensure and Regulation
Thursday, October 10, 2013 thru Saturday, October 12, 2013.

2013 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, October 11

- 8:00 - 8:30 Registration
- 8:30 - 9:00 Welcome and Introductory Remarks
- 9:00 - 10:00 Keynote Speaker - Telepractice: Benefits, Risks, and Opportunities for Greater State Licensure Uniformity - Ellen Cohn
- 10:00 - 10:15 Break
- 10:15 - 11:00 Keynote Speaker - Telepractice (cont.) - Ellen Cohn
- 11:00 - 11:45 Continuing Education: If You've Seen One State. . . - Alison Lemke (IA) & Ellen Fagan (ASHA)
- 11:45 - 1:00 Lunch and Corporate Business Meeting
- 1:00 - 2:15 Timed Timely Topics
Encroachment - Dawn Richard (LA)
Sexual misconduct - Nahale Kalfas (NC)
Deregulation threats - Tim Weise (MI)
Social networking - Brian O'Riordan (Canada)
Reinstatement from inactive status - Kerri Phillips (LA)
- 2:15 - 2:30 Break
- 2:30 - 3:15 Update on the Praxis Exam in Audiology - Judith Page (ASHA CFCC) & Kathy Pruner (ETS)
- 3:15 - 4:45 State Information Exchange - Amy Goldman (PA)

Saturday, October 12

- 8:30 - 9:30 Online Hearing Aid Sales: The Texas Story - Vicki Dionne (TX) & David Richards (TX)
- 9:30 - 10:15 Disciplinary Procedures and Other Thorny Issues - Tammy Camp (TX) & Patty Nesbitt (WV)
- 10:15 - 10:30 Break
- 10:30 - 11:45 Support Personnel: The State of the States - Theresa Rodgers (LA) & Susan Adams (ASHA)
- 11:45 - 12:00 Closing, preview of 2014 conference

The Historic Menger Hotel
204 Alamo Plaza
San Antonio, TX 78205
(210) 223-4361



Step into the exquisite three-story Victorian lobby of the Menger Hotel, and you'll be transported to a time of frontier history and legend. Built in 1859 on the site of Texas' first brewery, the Menger was considered "the finest hotel west of the Mississippi" and ushered in a new era of sophistication to the Texas frontier. The famed Menger Bar is a reproduction of the House of Lords Pub in London. More than 150 years of refinements have created a masterpiece of traditional elegance that offers modern amenities such as free wireless high speed Internet.

Directions from the Airport:

Leaving the airport, follow the signs to 281 South (also I-37) to downtown San Antonio. It is approximately 15-20 minutes depending on traffic. Entering the downtown area, take the exit marked Houston St/The Alamo. Go right on Houston St. to Bonham (2 signals), turn left on Bonham.

Direct Phone: 210-428-6542 or 866-337-7816
Reservation Office Fax: 210-223-1328 (Sales Office)

Parking:

The Menger Hotel offers valet parking only with in/out privileges for a \$28 daily fee.

Downtown: San Antonio's urban core is very compact and you can walk to dozens of restaurants and shops, both on the street and along the River Walk.

San Antonio Weather - October

Dress comfortably in casual clothes with shoes appropriate for walking during breaks. As with any conference, be prepared for variable meeting room temperatures by dressing "in layers". And, an umbrella may be needed!

Sunrise	Sunset	Average High	Average Low	Mean
7:34 AM	7:07 PM	83° F	61° F	72° F

Popular Attractions in San Antonio

The Alamo The 300-year-old Mission San Antonio de Valero was the site of a pinnacle battle during the Texas Revolution in March of 1836. Here, 189 Texas defenders held off Mexican General Santa Anna's 4,000 soldiers for thirteen days.

River Walk In the city center, the River Walk, or Paseo del Rio, is made up of cobble walkways, bridges, cafés, shops, restaurants and bars along the river's edge. Its three miles of pathways are a full level below city streets, creating the ambiance of a secluded oasis.

San Antonio Missions National Historic Park Comprised of four out of five San Antonio missions: missions Concepción, San José, San Juan and Espada. Travel from mission on the eight-mile Missions Bike and Hike Trail.

La Villita As San Antonio's first neighborhood, La Villita, "the little village," was originally established by Spanish soldiers stationed at the Alamo. Today it is a historic arts village that houses shops, art galleries and restaurants in Spanish, Mexican, German, and French-influenced residences. <http://lavillita.com/>

Tower of the Americas Here's where to go for a panoramic view of San Antonio from 750 feet. Built for the 1968 World's Fair; A glass elevator will take you up to the Flags Over Texas observatory, with heart-stopping views all the way. Also brand-new is the Skies Over Texas 4-D ride, a swooping, spectacular tour of life in the Lone Star State.

San Antonio Museum of Art Its 30,000-square-foot Nelson A. Rockefeller Center for Latin American Art, houses the most comprehensive collection of Latin American art in the country. Its collection of Egyptian, Greek and Roman antiquities, European and American paintings, and Asian and contemporary art is the most extensive in the region. Events include tea ceremonies and meditation workshops. Plus, it's housed in the turn-of-the-century building that once was the Lone Star Brewery. How cool is that?

Buckhorn Saloon & Museum This 120-year-old saloon is a repository for real-deal cowboy and Old West history, as well as a strange but extensive horn, fin and feather collection. You used to be able to trade a deer antler (or horn, fin or feather) for a shot; now only U.S. dollars will do.

TRAVEL OPTIONS TO SAN ANTONIO

TO SAN ANTONIO BY AIR:

San Antonio International Airport is about eight miles from downtown San Antonio or a 20-minute taxi ride. Ground transportation is located curbside in front of Terminal A and B baggage claim area. Uniformed transportation agents (wearing red shirts) can describe services and provide estimated rates to various destinations.

Ground transportation to the Historic Menger Hotel includes:

- ◇ Car Rentals
- ◇ Taxi Cabs Approximate fares, not including tips, to the downtown business district from the airport range from \$24 - \$26. Visit <http://www.visitsanantonio.com/visitors/plan/getting-around/taxi-limousine-service/index.aspx> for a complete list of taxi services.
 - ◇ YELLOW CAB (210) 222-2222, <http://www.yellowcabsa.com>
 - ◇ ARMADILLO CAB (210) 444-2222
- ◇ Shuttle Service GO Airport Shuttle is available 7:00 a.m to 1:30 a.m. daily. Fare is \$18 one-way, \$36 roundtrip. <http://www.citytoursinc.com/airport-shuttle>.
- ◇ For additional ground transportation information, please call (210)-207-3465.

Find San Antonio International Airport flight information, transit services provided, flight time and mileage at <http://www.sanantonio.gov/sat>, or call (210) 207-3411 for more information.

GET "SOCIAL WITH NCSB!

Did you know NCSB now has a Facebook group? Membership in this group is open to anyone who is a past or present member of your state's licensure board in speech-language pathology or audiology, state and national association leaders...or if you are interested in information related to the regulation of the communication professions. Our Facebook page will also feature up-to-the minute information about our publications, trainings, and our annual conference. Connect with your colleagues around timely issues confronting the professions, and share news about what is happening in your state.

Search under "NCSB" or go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/201684259941209/?fref=ts>

See you on Facebook!

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**National Council of State Boards of Examiners for
Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
26th Annual Conference Registration**

Name _____ Work Phone _____
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CONFERENCE FEE (Includes lunch on Friday, refreshment breaks)

_____ Individual from National Council member state.....\$295.00
 _____ More than one individual from NCSB member state.....\$275.00
 _____ Individual from non-member state.....\$495.00
 _____ Exhibitor (includes one conference registration).....\$450.00

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP (Includes lunch, refreshment break and flashdrive with NCSB Reference Manual)

_____ Training for Board Members – Individual from member state.....\$210.00
 _____ Training for Board Members – Individual from non-member state.....\$300.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED....._____

_____ Check here if you have special dietary needs. (Enclose explanation with registration form.)

_____ Check here if you have a disability requiring assistance for participation in this workshop. (You will be contacted.)

NOTE: Registration cannot be refunded after October 1, 2013.

Pay online at <http://www.ncsb.info/register> or return this form with check payable to: NCSB
 Send to: Prime Management, 3416 Primm Lane, Birmingham, AL 35216 (205) 823-6106

DID YOU KNOW...

NCSB membership includes access to the Members Only section of the website, <http://www.ncsb.info>. Visit the website to login, or contact the NCSB Business Office for assistance.

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