



**NOBLE ACTIONS:
ASLP-IC PANEL
DISCUSSION**



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DISCLOSURES

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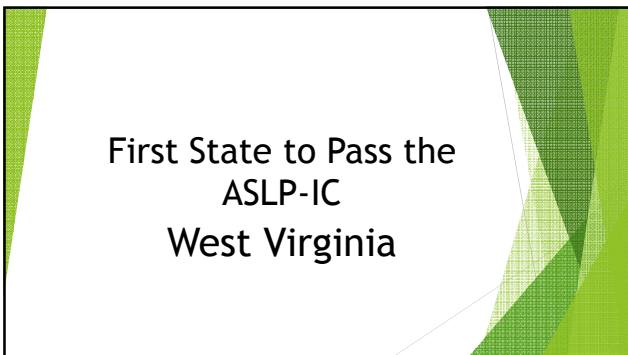
- Member of NCSB BOD
- Past President
- Louisiana Tech University

Non-Financial

- Advisory Member of ASLP-IC



First State to Pass the
ASLP-IC
West Virginia



Relational Capital is the necessary ingredient!!

- ▶ 1) Find sponsors for the bill - We had a sponsor in the House and the Senate to propel the bill at a faster pace per the Senator who led the passing of the physical therapy compact.

Bring together all stakeholders

- ▶ Both universities wrote letters of support
- ▶ WVSHA wrote a letter of support
- ▶ Special Education directors wrote letters of support
- ▶ ENT doctors wrote letters of support

Daily Monitoring of the Bill

- ▶ Frequent texts, emails, phone calls and face to face meetings with legislators and their attorneys (who really managed the bill)
- ▶ Flexibility in work schedule was necessary to attend committee hearings at a phone call's notice

Opposition to the Bill

- ▶ Otolaryngologists - I got letters of support and phone calls from friends with whom I work who are ENT doctors
- ▶ Medical board - I got letters of support and phone calls from physicians with whom I work
- ▶ ASHA sent a letter of support addressing the issues raised by the medical community

Setbacks and Favors

- ▶ Interstate Cooperation Committee moved the bill to a "study resolution" - aka DEAD!!!
- ▶ Relational Capital - main ingredient again
- ▶ Within 24 hours we had a stakeholders meeting scheduled with the chair of the Interstate Cooperation Committee and her legal counsel

Stakeholders were KEY

- ▶ Susan Adams - ASHA
- ▶ Nahalie Kalfas - CSG
- ▶ Dan Logsdan - CSG
- ▶ Rhea Dyer - WVSHA
- ▶ Me - Advocate

Resolution Found

- ▶ We worked out compromise wording and made another semantic change at the stakeholder meeting led by CSG
- ▶ Our Bill was ALIVE again!! 7 days later WV became the first state to pass the ASLP-IC in the nation.

LOUISIANA'S JOURNEY

- 2016
 - Initial meeting with Council of State Governments
- 2020
 - January—initial contact with Senator Barrow Peacock
 - March—Prepared to introduce legislation
 - World Pandemic
 - October
 - Louisiana Legislature Special Session
 - SB34 passed October 21
 - November 3, 2020
 - Governor Signed Act 37 of 2020 Second Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature