

## Virginia Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology

### Equivalent Accrediting Body

#### Applicable Regulations

##### ***18VAC30-21-70. Provisional licensure.***

*A. Provisional license to qualify for initial licensure. An applicant may be issued a provisional license in order to obtain clinical experience required for certification by ASHA, the American Board of Audiology, or any other accrediting body recognized by the board. To obtain a provisional license in order to qualify for initial licensure, the applicant shall submit documentation that he has:*

- 1. Passed the qualifying examination from an accrediting body recognized by the board; and*
- 2. Either:*

*a. For provisional licensure in audiology, successfully completed all the didactic coursework required for the doctoral degree as documented by a college or university whose audiology program is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation of ASHA or an equivalent accrediting body; or*

*b. For provisional licensure in speech-language pathology, successfully completed all the didactic coursework required for a graduate program in speech-language pathology as documented by a college or university whose program is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association or an equivalent accrediting body.*

#### Guidance

For the purpose of issuing provisional licensure in audiology, the Board has determined that the Accreditation Commission for Audiology Education (ACAE) is “an equivalent accrediting body” for documentation of didactic coursework required for the doctoral degree, as specified in 18VAC30-21-70 A 2 (a).