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EDUCATION

Northwestern University
Evanston, IL

MS of Speech-Language Pathology
June 2019

Metropolitan State University
Denver, CO

Leveling Certificate; Speech, Language, Hearing Sciences
May 2017

University of Colorado
Boulder, CO

BA of Humanities; French & film emphasis
Certificate of Digital Media & Technology
December 2013

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, CERTIFICATIONS, AND AFFILIATIONS

- ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) – *Active*
- Washington State Speech-Language Pathology License – *Active*
- Colorado State Speech-Language Pathology License – *Active*
- BLS Certification – *Active*
- Medical SLP Collective Member – *Active*
- McNeill Dysphagia Therapy Program Certification – 2021
- Modified Barium Swallowing Impairment Profile (MBSImP), complete version – 2021
- Completed approaches to cognitive-communication assessment/treatment elective coursework led by Dr. Marty Burns– 2019
- Trained in swallow physiology and pathology with Dr. Bonnie Martin-Harris as instructor including certification in MBSImP, student version – 2018
- Completed medical SLP elective coursework led by Northwestern Memorial Hospital SLP team – 2018
- NSSHLA – Northwestern University Chapter: Elected Treasurer; 2017 – 201

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Parker Adventist Hospital | Centura Health
Parker, CO

Speech-Language Pathologist
September 2020 – Present

- Provide skilled and collaborative inpatient and outpatient services within 165 beds, Trauma II hospital.
- Provide coverage ranging from .5 – .9 FTE, including PRN coverage at Porter Adventist Hospital (368 beds - Denver, CO) and Castle Rock Adventist Hospital (50 beds - Castle Rock, CO).
- Administer, interpret, and report modified barium swallow studies (MBSS) for inpatients and outpatients regularly.
- In process of purchasing and training for administration, interpretation, and reporting of fiberoptic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing (FEES).
- Proficient with administration of norm-referenced and informal assessments including: Western Aphasia Battery Bedside (WAB-Bedside), Boston Diagnostic Aphasia Examination (BDAE), Cognitive Linguistic Quick Test (CLQT), Galveston Orientation and Amnesia Test (GOAT), Repeatable Battery for the Assessment of Neuropsychological Status (RBANS), and Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA).
- Provide assessment, treatment, and education in the acute stages of TBI ranging from mild to severe utilizing assessments listed above in addition to symptom tracking of post-concussive syndrome via CDC Symptom Severity Tracking.
- Proficient with use of Epic EMR system for daily point of service documentation.
- Assist facility with ongoing transition to International Dysphagia Diet Standardization Initiative (IDDSI).
- Provide ICU evaluation and treatment including trach/vent communication and assessment/use of speaking valves (hospital currently supplies Shiley brand valves).

Life Care Centers of America
Federal Way, WA

Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellow
September 2019 – July 2019

- Provided skilled and collaborative services to subacute, post-acute, and long-term care patients within 2-4 facilities with minimum 304 beds.
- Collaborated with hospital and contracted SLPs for implementation of instrumental examinations of swallow function including MBSS and FEES in order to objectively measure swallow pathophysiology.
- Proficient with administration of norm-referenced and informal assessments including: Mann Assessment of Swallowing Ability (MASA), Functional Linguistic Communication Inventory (FLCI), Ross Information Processing Assessment (RIPA), Western Aphasia Battery (WAB), Apraxia Battery for Adults (ABA), Boston Diagnostic Aphasia Examination (BDAE), Frenchay Dysarthria Assessment (FDA), Brief Cognitive Rating Scale (BCRS), Short Blessed Test (SBT), and Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA).
- Completed Alternative Augmentative Communication (AAC) diagnostics and implementation including caregiver education for carryover with low tech and high tech AAC devices including picture and letter boards, Tactus Therapy mobile apps, and Tobii Dynavox products and services.
- Proficient with use of Optima and Point Click Care EMR systems for daily point of service documentation.
- Assisted facilities with ongoing transition to International Dysphagia Diet Standardization Initiative (IDDSI).

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Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center
North Chicago, IL

Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Intern
January 2019 – April 2019

- Provided rehabilitative services to United States Veterans ranging in ages from 18 to 102 via individual, group and/or telehealth sessions in outpatient, inpatient, and acute care settings including 199 operating beds, 195 nursing home care beds, and 149 Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (MHR RTP) beds for patients requiring residential treatment for substance abuse, homelessness, post-traumatic stress disorder and psychosocial rehabilitation.
- Administered, interpreted, and reported 2-8 modified barium swallow studies (MBSS) per week during biweekly clinics serving outpatient and inpatient populations.
- Experienced with the administration of: BDAE, Rivermead Behavioral Memory Test (RBMT), RBANS, and Attention Processing Training Test (APT-Test).
- Evaluated for and implemented use of AAC ranging from low to high-tech with patients, caregivers, and family including Tobii Dynavox Eye Gaze technology for an inpatient living with ALS.
- Presented during and facilitated weekly inter-disciplinary 'memory group' for veterans as part of the PTSD clinic.
- Participated in weekly inter-disciplinary TBI clinic team meetings and monthly clinical eligibility panels for the comprehensive assistance for family caregivers program providing additional support for veterans with disabilities and their caregivers.

Northwestern University Center for Audiology, Speech, Language, and Learning (NUCASLL)
Evanston, IL

Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Intern
January 2018 – December 2018

- Provided individual and group therapy services to adults and pediatrics ages ranging from 5 to 98 within university outpatient clinic (caseload = varying from 2-8 clients, 3-5/wk and 4-5/day)
- Implemented individual therapy to adults with aphasia (ages ranging from 16 to 70) in NUCASLL's Intensive Aphasia Program and Semi-Intensive Aphasia Program providing patients and families to participate in 4-8 hours of therapy 3-5 days/week.
- Independently developed and presented educational webinar regarding SLP Scope of Practice and appropriate referrals for Audiology graduate clinicians.
- Proficient with use of Boardmaker online for development of individualized low tech AAC options.

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Retreat Assisted Living Community
Westminster, CO

PCP (Personal Care Provider) and QMAP (Qualified Medication Administration Person)
June 2016 – August 2017; June 2010 – June 2014

- Provided meal assistance, personal care, and medication administration for rotating sections (20+ residents) while being available to the facility (50+ residents).
- Communicated daily with residents, families, hospice team members, and other healthcare providers regarding care plans.
- Demonstrated flexibility in scheduling with experience in each shift (24-hour care) – morning, evening, and overnight.

Rocky Mountain Senior Care
Golden, CO

Director of Business Development at Good Care Connection (RMSC Sponsored Project)
March 2015 – August 2015

- Designed and marketed an online software (Good Care Connection) to allow hospitals and facilities to easily find available beds in skilled-nursing facilities in a model similar to online hotel and travel providers.
- Managed and assisted programmers with coding tasks and deadlines as well as interpersonal communication.
- Traveled to hospitals and skilled nursing facilities to market the website as well as educate dispatch nurses and admission coordinators on effective use of the website.

Community & Provider Liaison
July 2014 – March 2015

- Organized, hosted, and gained accreditation for a first annual Continuing Medical Education (CME) Conference for RMSC providers.
- Assistant to clinical director - scheduling of 75+ healthcare providers (physicians, physicians' assistants, and nurse practitioners) to round at 300+ independent living, assisted living, and skilled nursing facilities from the Wyoming border to Colorado Springs. Including designing and implementing a new online scheduling system for healthcare providers.
- Facilitated community outreach to new and potential facilities and credentialing new healthcare providers.

RESEARCH

Language and Communication in Aging and Neurodegeneration Research Group (LCAN) led by Dr. Angela Roberts:
Research Assistant; December 2017 – June 2019

- Coded correct information units (CIU's) on discourse samples from individuals with vascular disease taken from the longitudinal study by the Ontario Neurodegenerative Disease Research Initiative (ONDRI) used in posters developed by undergraduate and graduate students comparing groups determined to have cognitive impairment or no cognitive impairment by the Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA). The CIU's were used to create an equation that predicts cognitive impairment using discourse measures differing by group.
- Recorded audio for sentences for a PhD student's qualifying research project aiming to determine whether or not people with Parkinson's disease differ from healthy adults in their ability to use their knowledge of typical thematic roles/verb-noun pairings to predict how a spoken sentence will end.
- Participated in weekly lab meetings and events to discuss current events in research and the community on a local, national, and international level.