

Welcome to

Hot Topics 2022:

Time for Action

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David Bailey, David Bailey Associates



Disclosures

- Reed Senter, Amy Barnett, Britt Mowfy, and Sydney Floyd currently serve on the SHAV Board. Amber Handon is Virginia's State Education Advocacy Leader (SEAL), and has previously served as SHAV's President. Board members' conference registration fees have been waived.
- David Bailey serves as SHAV's lobbyist, and receives financial compensation for his role.
- There are no other financial or nonfinancial disclosures.



Objectives/Learner Outcomes

Participants will be able to:

- Summarize SHAV's advocacy efforts over the past year
- Anticipate and prepare to engage with the "hot topic" issues for the coming year
- Participate in advocacy at the local, state, and national levels



Agenda

- Introduction
- Capitol updates: David Bailey
- General Assembly updates: Reed Senter,
 David Bailey, Amber Handon
- SHAV updates: Amy Barnett
- Med-SLP updates: Britt Mowfy
- Student updates: Sydney Floyd
- Get Involved: Reed Senter
- Panel Q&A

Capitol Updates

with

David Bailey



Legislative Updates





Issue

Review the issue and related legislation

SHAV

Share SHAV's action plan related to the issue

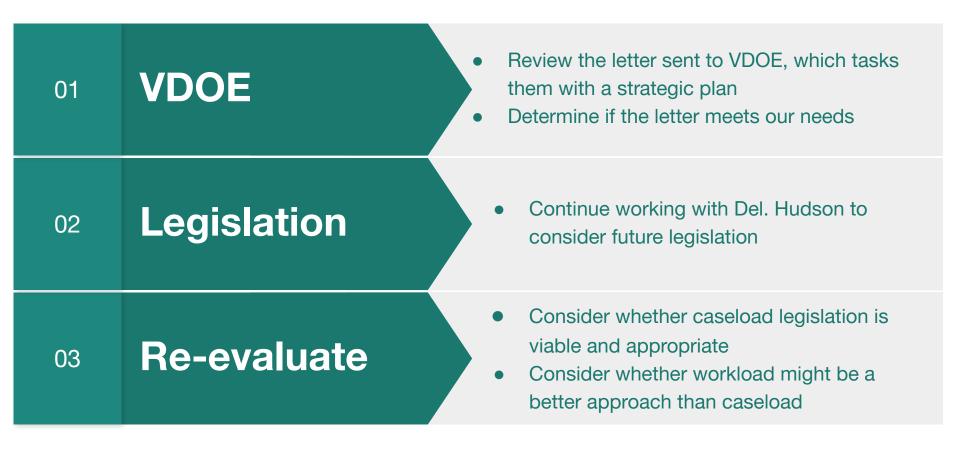
You

Share resources and propose an action plan for you



The Issue	School Caseloads	Related bills	HB 547 (Delegate Hudson)
Information	☐ Passed unanimously in House Education committee, but left in Appropriations ☐ Door is open for continued efforts HB 547 would have funded a statewide strategic plan to evaluate SLP caseloads, recruitment, and retention. Delegate Hudson believed this would be the first step towards caseload legislation, but the chair of the House Appropriations committee (Del. Davis) believed that this could be tasked to VDOE without legislation. Del. Hudson disagrees and is open to working with us in the future.		

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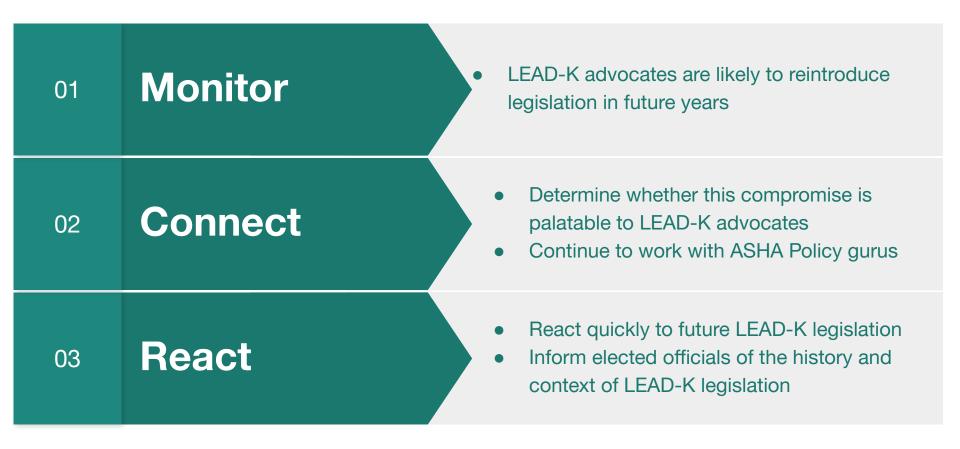
Your Action Plan

01	Be Informed	Review ASHA statements about caseload and workload
02	Build Relationships	 Connect with your State Senator / Delegate, tell them about yourself and your job Reach out to Delegates Hudson (patron) and Reid (who voted in our favor in Appropriations) to thank them
03	Act/Serve	 Volunteer for Advocacy Committee Reach out to Madison Brumbaugh (newly elected SHAV VP for Governmental Affairs) and Amber Handon (SEAL) to help

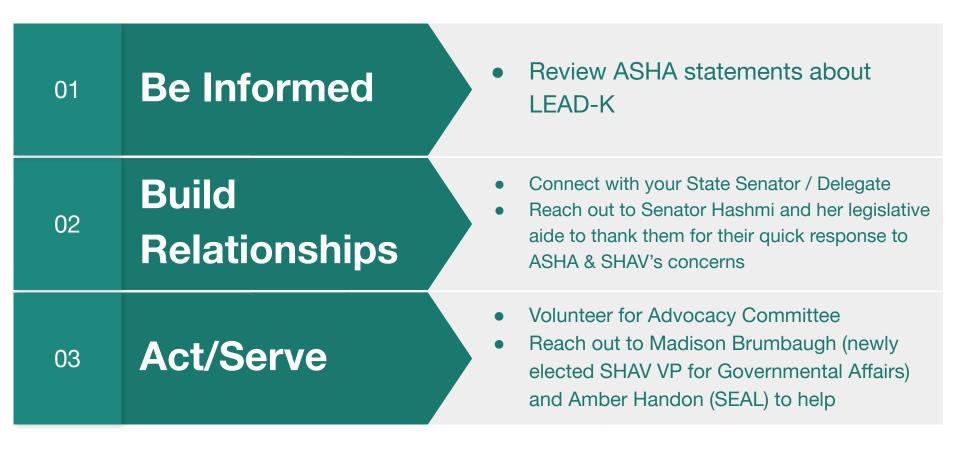


The Issue	LEAD-K	Related bills	HB 649 (Carr), SB 265 (Hashmi)
Information	 □ Passed in House and Senate □ Somewhat neutered by 1-year sunset clause, removal of advisory committee 		
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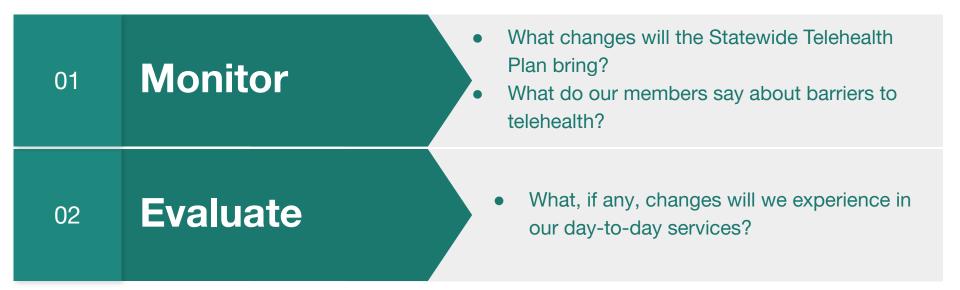
Your Action Plan





The Issue	Telehealth	Related bills	HB 81 (Del. Kilgore)
Information	Telehealth Network in Telehealth Plan. It's u	of Health to contain amending a unclear what imistic that ch	onsult with the Virginia and maintaining the Statewide changes (if any) this will nanges will facilitate (rather

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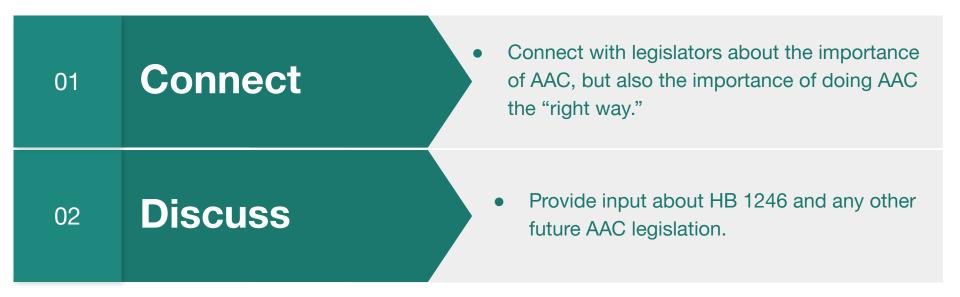
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 Let us know if you experience any barriers to telehealth.



The Issue	School AAC	Related bills	HB 1047, HB 1246 (Del. Tran)
Information	 □ HB 1047 stricken from docket □ HB 1246 continued to 2023 in Finance and Appropriations HB 1047 was well-intentioned legislation to support the training, use, and support for AAC in schools. However, the wording did not favor evidence-based practices, and several organizations across the state feared that this would open the door for Facilitated Communication or Rapid Prompting Method. HB 1047 was defeated, but some of the more helpful aspects were rolled into HB 1246. 		
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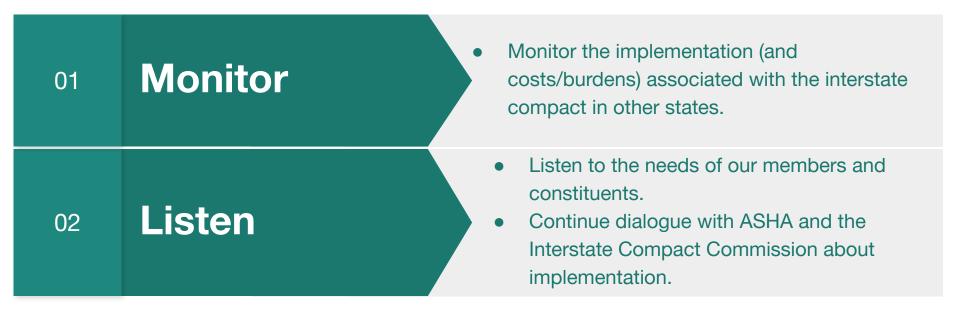
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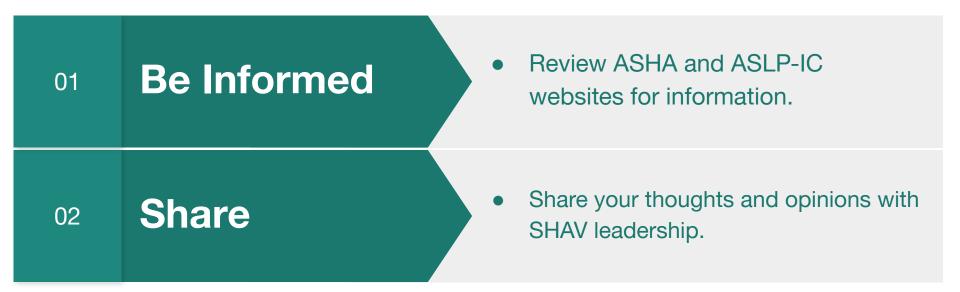


The Issue	Interstate Compact	Related bills	n/a
Information	·		the minimum threshold for enacted next year
	which would facilitate lines. This will likely be multiple licenses in mould likely raise the	e "permission be a cheaper, nultiple states cost of our re	lar ASHA-supported initiative, to practice" across state, faster alternative to pursuing s, but if passed in Virginia, it egular license, and may nents (e.g., fingerprinting).

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Miscellaneous Updates

Late Onset Hearing Loss Awareness Week: May 4th-10th

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly designate May 4 through 10, in 2022 and in each succeeding year, as Late Onset Hearing Loss Awareness Week in Virginia; and be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to agencies and organizations that support families of children who are deaf and hard of hearing, including the Virginia Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program, the Infant and Toddler Connection of Virginia, the Virginia Department of Education, the Virginia Association of the Deaf, the Virginia Academy of Pediatrics, **the Speech-Language-Hearing Association of Virginia**, the Center for Family Involvement at Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia Hands and Voices, and the Virginia Chapter of the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, so that these agencies and members of these organizations may be apprised of the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia in this matter; and, be it

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Clerk of the Senate post the designation of this week on the General Assembly's website.

CMS seeking input about Medicaid

https://cmsmedicaidaccessrfi.gov1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 6EYj9eLS9b74Npk





Request for Information (2022)

Access to Coverage and Care in Medicaid & CHIP

For a preview of the questions in the Request for Information, please visit the <u>Access</u> to Care page of <u>Medicaid.gov</u>.

CDC guidance updates

- CDC developmental milestones were updated without input from ASHA
- ASHA is currently working on an official statement
- Be a smart consumer of information- what claims are the new milestones making? What claims did the old milestones make?

Telehealth



President Biden has signed legislation (H.R. 2471) into law that includes several provisions that ASHA advocated for including an extension of telehealth and increases to funding. Learn how this affects #AuDPeeps and #SLPeeps https://on.asha.org/3JiqSWn

OTs encroaching on feeding?



https://leader.pubs.asha.org/do/10.1044/2022-0215 -slps-preferred-dysphagia-providers/full/

- OTs' scope of practice overlaps with feeding: positioning, sensory needs, utensils
- OTs do not have our specialized skillset for swallowing physiology
- SLPs and OTs should be *partners*



SHAV Updates with Amy Barnett



Med-SLP Updates with Britt Mowfy

THE ROLE OF THE SLP IN THE MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT WORLD

- Primary Setting: Skilled Nursing Facility/Long-term Care
- Payer Sources:
 - PDPM- Medicare Part A
 - Medicare B/Managed Medicare B

functional caregiver welfare hygiene premiumstransferring disabilities dressing assisted lying.

Long Term Care property walking older LTC eating bathing walking older hospice healthcare inability homemaking elderly expenses and ambulation nurse are property finances.

- The Role of the SLP
 - Clinically
 - Cognition
 - Dysphagia
 - Dysarthria
 - Voice
 - Functional Expressive/Receptive Communication
 - Within Therapy Department
 - Collaboration with OT/PT
 - Educator
 - As a member of the IDT
 - Social Work
 - Nursing Care
 - Dietary/Dining Services
 - Billing Reimbursement

THE ROLE OF AN SLP IN A PDPM WORLD

- What is PDPM?
 - Patient Driven Payment Model
 - Use of Case-Mix Categories based on upon clinical data to determine daily reimbursement rate under Medicare A for facilities
- ST Case-Mix
 - BIMS score
 - Section K
 - Diet Modifications
 - ST Co-morbidities (CVA focus)
 - How do we as SLP's factor in to the big picture for facility reimbursement? Where is our leverage?

SLP	
Case Mix	
SA	\$14.72
SB	\$39.40
SC	\$57.80
SD	\$31.61
SE	\$50.65
SF	\$64.51
SG	\$44.16
SH	\$61.91
SI	\$76.41
SJ	\$64.73
SK	\$80.09
SL	\$91.13

THE SLP IN THE LONG TERM CARE SETTING

- Therapy payers in LTC: Medicare B, Managed Medicare B
- Roles within the LTC Community
 - Staff Educator
 - Patient Care Advocate
 - Advocate for Therapy Resources
 - Hearing Wellness Advocate
- How we impact facility billing in the LTC setting
 - Therapy RUG levels
 - Quarterly/Annual MDS Assessments
 - Quality Measures/5 Star Ratings



BREAKING THE BARRIERS IN SNF/LTC

- What are some barriers in the SNF/LTC setting?
 - Productivity Standards
 - Allocated Speech Therapy Minutes
 - Access to Therapeutic Resources
- How can we start to tear down our barriers?
 - Know the value you bring to the residents as an SLP
 - Know the value you bring to the facility as an IDT member
 - Know the value you bring to clinical reimbursement and scoring
 - Know who to advocate to: Rehab Manager, Administrator, Director of Nursing
- Share your knowledge and your value opening and consistently!



Student Updates with Sydney Floyd



Get Involved



is a PROCESS,

not an EVENT



Name		Position	
Date of Birth		Party	
Social Media	60	Office Address	
Committees		Office Phone	
Issues/ Platforms		Email	
Other Notes			



Part #1

Introduce Yourself		
Position	Setting	
How long you have been there	What you do	
What you enjoy about your work		
Introduce Your Clients		
Clients you serve (ages, area, etc)	Communication Disorders Addressed	
Connect To Your Legislators		
Are there any connections?		
Putting It Together		
Elevator Speech: Introducing Yourself		

Part #2 Introduce Your Topic: National Level The Issue Related bills The Background The Benefit The Concern How it impacts Perspectives of your clients your clients How it impacts you Connect To Your Legislators Are there any connections? **Putting It Together** Elevator Speech: Introducing Topic (National) **Action Plan** Additional Data How To Needed Acquire Data Stakeholders To Contact Action #1 Goal Date Action #2 Goal Date

Goal Date

Action #3

Advocacy in Action Year Round

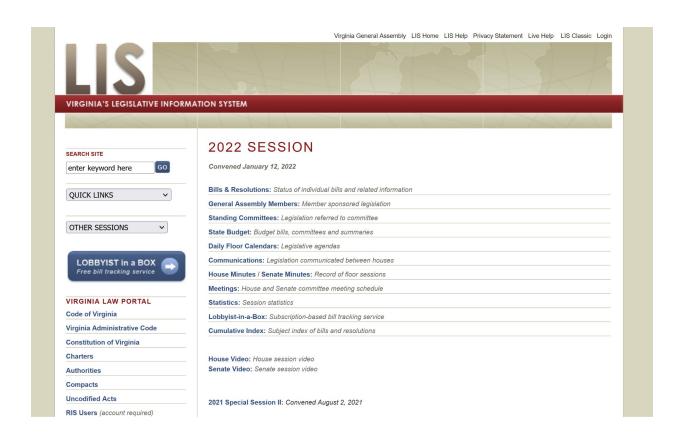
Ways to engage and inform your legislators all throughout the year about what you do and who you serve.

January	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
	SHAV Advocacy Day
	National Birth Defects Prevention Month
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February	Valentine's Day
March	St. Patrick's Day
	National Traumatic Brain Injury Awareness Month
April	National Autism Awareness Month
	Oral Cancer Awareness Month
	National Public Health Week (April 6-12)
May	Better Speech and Hearing Month
1870000 7	Apraxia Day (May 14th)
	National Stroke Awareness Month (link national assoc)
	National Stuttering Awareness Week (May 11-17)
June	Juneteenth
	Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month
	National Aphasia Awareness Month
	Helen Keller Deaf-Blind Awareness Week (June 28- July 4)

July	Helen Keller Deaf-Blind Awareness Week (June 28– July 4) 4th of July National Cleft/Craniofacial Awareness/Prevention Month
	National Cieff Ciamolacial Awareness/ Prevention Month
August	National Health Center Week (Aug 9-15)
September	Alzheimer's Awareness Day (Sept 19)
700	Newborn Screening Awareness Month
	World Alzheimer's Month
October	National Protect Your Hearing Month
	International Stuttering Awareness Day (Oct 22)
	National Bullying Prevention Month
November	Election
	Veterans Day
	National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month
	National Family Caregivers Month
	National Hospice Palliative Care Month
	Prematurity Awareness Month
	World Prematurity Day (Nov. 17)
December	Winter Holidays

State-level Resources

https://lis.virginia.gov/



State-level Resources

https://shav.org/



State-level Resources



How Can I Get Involved

For more information: shavoffice@shav.org



National Resources

https://www.asha.org/advocacy/

Advocacy

Your place to stay informed and engaged on ASHA's work to effect positive public policy change for you. Our priorities are determined by the **2022 Public Policy Agenda**. Your voice matters! Get involved, be an advocate, and partner with us.

Voice support for advocacy efforts on behalf of the professions.

Take Action

NEWS

- New Law Extends Telehealth and Increases Funding (03/15/2022)
- February 2022 Advocacy Update (02/27 /2022)

View All

SCHOOLS ISSUES

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

 IDEAL

STATE REQUIREMENTS

Find practice information for your state on licensure, regulations, and contacts. ASHA advocates with state associations to maintain or improve practice requirements.

HEALTH CARE ISSUES

- Alternative Payment Models
- Health Care Billing Codes
- Health Dian Deligy I Indates

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https://www.asha.org/about/governance/volunteering/

Get Involved!

Looking to become more involved with your professional association? Check out a list of volunteer opportunities available to you!

Join a Committee, Board or Council

- Ad Hoc Committees
- Advisory Boards and Councils
- Joint Committees
- Special Interest Groups
- Standing Committees
- State Association committees, boards or councils

Contact governance@asha.org

Volunteer as an Author or Subject Matter Expert

- The Leader
- Perspectives
- Patient education handouts
- ASHA Practice Portal
- Other ASHA Publications

Contact publications@asha.org

Become a Mentor

- S.T.E.P.
- Minority Student Leadership Program
- Leadership Development Program
- Mentoring Academic Research Careers (MARC) Program
- PROGENY

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Become an ASHA Member Representative

- Subject Matter Expert
- Media spokesperson
- Represent ASHA in publications and at speaking engagements

Get involved in Grassroots Advocacy

- Write to Congress
- Participate in Hill Visits
- Get involved with PAC

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Participate on a Review Panel

- Leadership Development Program
- Grant Reviewer
- Peer Reviewer
- Award Application Reviewer



Panel Q&A

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