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### Summary

Certified, licensed Speech-Language Pathologist specialized in Assistive Technology. Currently completing Full-Stack Web Development Certification at the University of Pennsylvania. Passionate about how technology can improve our daily lives across a variety of contexts.

# Professional Experience

Nemours A.I. DuPont Hospital for Children (Wilmington, DE) – Speech Therapist & AAC Specialist

May 2016 - current

Providing Augmentative-Alternative Communication (AAC) evaluations and direct therapeutic treatment to non-verbal or minimally verbal children. Working on an interdisciplinary team to help match current speech generating and assistive technology to each child's individual needs.

Theraplay, Inc. (Horsham, PA) – Speech Therapist & Speech Coordinator

Jan. 2015 - May 2016

Provided speech therapy services in a high-volume pediatric clinical outpatient facility for children aged 2-16 years old. Served in leadership role as Horsham center's Speech Coordinator where I had the responsibility of organizing the activities of our three speech therapy teams.

Salem County Special Services School District (Woodstown, NJ) – Speech Therapist

Sept. 2012 – Jan. 2015

Contracted to various public and specialized schools to provide speech therapy services. Served a varied caseload of children and young adults with impairments ranging from mild articulation delays to severe/complex communication needs.

# Clinical Fellowship

The Speech Clinic, Inc. (Wilmington, DE) – SLP Clinical Fellow & AAC consultant

Sept. 2011 - July 2012

Served as a contracted speech therapist and AAC consultant to Wilmington, DE public schools and developmental centers while completing my clinical fellowship. Provided speech therapy services two evenings per week in a private clinic setting.

St. Joseph's School for the Blind (Jersey City, NJ) – SLP Clinical Fellow

Sept. 2010 - July 2011

Served as a speech therapist to a private school for students ages 3-21 with visual impairments and/or multiple disabilities while completing a portion of my clinical fellowship.

## Volunteer Experience

### Camp Chatterbox – Lead Speech Therapist

Aug. 2013, 2014

Served as a speech therapist under Joan Bruno, Ph.D. CCC-SLP at a weeklong, overnight camp in NJ for children ages 5+ with severe speech impairments who use AAC.

### Camp Chatterbox – Speech Therapy Intern

August 2011

Interned under Joan Bruno, Ph.D. CCC-SLP at a weeklong overnight camp in NJ for children ages 5+ with severe speech impairments who use AAC.

#### Education

### University of Pennsylvania -

Full-Stack Web Development Certificate

October 2018 - current

Anticipated completion date of April 2019

Seton Hall University – M.S. Speech-Language Pathology

June 2008 - May 2010

#### Seton Hall University – B.S.E. Special Education

Sept. 2003 - May 2008

Minor: Social & Behavioral Science; concentration: Sociology

Graduated Cum Laude

#### Awards

ASHA ACE Award for Continuing Education (2018)

## Relevant Skills

- EMR/EHR systems (EPIC)
- Continuous Improvement Methods/Kaizen
- Toyota Production Systems/Lean
- Git/GitHub
- JavaScript & related frameworks
- JQuery
- APIs/AJAX
- CSS & related frameworks (Bootstrap, UI Kit)
- HTML
- Databases (Firebase)
- Responsive & Mobile First Web Design

References available upon request.