

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 391.019.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising provisions concerning an endorsement to provide audiological services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Commission on Professional Standards in Education to adopt regulations prescribing the qualifications for licensing educational personnel. (NRS 391.019) Existing regulations authorize a person who meets certain requirements to receive an endorsement to provide audiological services in kindergarten through grade 12. (NAC 391.223) This regulation instead authorizes a person who meets those requirements to receive an endorsement to provide audiological services to pupils who are at least 3 years of age but less than 22 years of age.

Section 1. NAC 391.223 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.223 1. To receive an endorsement to provide audiological services ~~in kindergarten through grade 12,~~ *to pupils who are at least 3 years of age but less than 22 years of age*, a person must hold a:

(a) Certificate of Clinical Competence as an audiologist issued by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association;

(b) Master's degree in audiology from an institution accredited by a regional accrediting association; or

(c) Master's degree in any subject from an institution accredited by a regional accrediting association and have:

(1) Successfully completed at least 300 hours of supervised clinical experience in audiology or speech pathology, or both; and

(2) Earned at least 60 credits in courses related to the normal development, function and use of speech and language or hearing, including, but not limited to, the management of disorders of speech or hearing and the legal, professional and ethical practices of audiology or speech pathology. At least 24 credits, not including credits earned for a thesis or dissertation, must have been earned in courses directly relating to audiology or speech pathology.

2. ~~1.A~~ *A person is not required to have an* endorsement issued pursuant to subsection 1 ~~is not required~~ to provide audiological services ~~in kindergarten through grade 12.~~ *to pupils who are at least 3 years of age but less than 22 years of age.*