

## SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING CLINIC POLICY STATEMENT

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Client's Name

The Southeastern Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic was established for two purposes:

1. To serve as a teaching facility in which undergraduate and graduate students majoring in speech-language pathology may, under supervision, observe and practice diagnostic and therapeutic techniques with children and adults who have communication disorders.
2. To provide diagnostic and therapeutic services for members of the community who have speech, language or hearing disorders.

Clients are accepted for services based upon availability of student and professional staff, client's potential for improvement in communication skills, the nature of the communication disorder, and the student practitioner's needs for certification requirements. Clients and families of clients are treated equitably without regard to gender, sexual orientation, age, race, creed, national origin or disability. The University, program and Clinic comply with applicable laws, regulations, and executive orders pertaining thereto.

Students in the speech-language pathology program work directly with clients under the supervision of a certified speech pathologist or audiologist. Supervisors are on site and available for student consultation. Although the services offered are designed to improve the client's communication skills, there is no guarantee that the client's communication problems will be resolved. In consideration of the educational function of the Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic, clients may be observed for research or educational purposes while receiving services. The faculty, observers and students will consider any information revealed during such examinations or demonstrations as privileged communication and will hold such information in confidence, except when authorized by the client to release it to appropriate medical, social, educational, health or other agencies. Audio and video recordings may be made for client records and/or used for educational and research purposes. In such cases, client information will not be displayed.

The Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic offers diagnostic and therapeutic services at a minimal cost. Fees help provide the Clinic with new materials and equipment. The fee for a complete speech-language evaluation and hearing screening is \$150.00. Therapy services are offered on a semester basis at \$200.00 per semester including the 3-week summer language camp. If an additional audiological evaluation is recommended, the charge is \$75.00. Payment is due on the day of evaluation, and reports will not be disseminated until payment has been received. The client's name must be written on the front of the check or money order. Services will be discontinued if payment is not received.

Development Funds for the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders will support continuous quality improvement in the department's clinical and academic programs and services. You have the right to request that we not send you any future fundraising materials and we will use our best efforts to honor your request. You may make your request to be removed from our fundraising and contact mailing lists by sending your name and address to the department office.

Having read and understood the preceding information and stated terms, I agree to accept the services of Southeastern Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic.

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Date

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Signature