

# Interprofessional Practice Survey Results (revised March 2023) June 2019

#### Introduction

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is focusing on advancing interprofessional education and interprofessional collaborative practice (IPE/IPP) as part of its *Strategic Plan*. As part of this initiative, ASHA fielded a survey to a random sample of 8,741 ASHA-certified audiologists and speech-language pathologists (SLPs)—approximately 4,300 from each profession—who reported being employed full time as a clinical service provider in the United States or U.S. Territories.

The purpose of the 2019 survey was to gather progress data for an ASHA Strategic Plan initiative on advancing IPP. A similar survey was fielded in 2016 and 2017 to collect baseline data. The 2019 survey was fielded on April 9, 2019. Follow-up reminders were sent to nonrespondents on April 16, April 23, and April 30. The survey was closed on May 7. Of the 8,741 individuals, 18 opted out of this and future online surveys, and six e-mails bounced, leaving 8,717 possible respondents. The actual number of respondents was 1,293, for a 14.8% response rate. Respondents had an opportunity to enter a drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card.

### **Highlights**

- Across all respondents, 41% were employed in a school setting, 27% in a nonresidential health care facility such as a private practice or clinic, 19% in a hospital, and the remainder in a college/university or in a residential health care or other facility.
- The majority of respondents (90%), by design, were employed as clinical service providers.
- Most respondents—70% of audiologists, 84% of SLPs working in health care, and 91% of SLPs working in schools—reported that they had engaged in IPP in their primary work setting during the past 12 months using the World Health Organization's definition of IPP.
- When asked to reflect on a recent IPP team experience relative to 18 specific IPP behavioral statements (e.g., "My colleagues from other fields treat me with respect"), the majority of respondents across all groups reported that positive IPP experiences happened "almost always" or "most of the time." Lowest on the list were "The team talks together about our professional similarities and differences" and "Administrative duties that support the team, such as minute taking, are shared," which were rated as "almost always" or "most of the time" by 64% of all respondents.
- Furthermore, 33% of all respondents answered "almost always" or "most of the time" to all 18 statements, and 82% responded "almost always" or "most of the time" to at least 15 of the 18 statements. The percentage of respondents who indicated "almost always" or "most of the time" to at least 15 of the 18 IPP target statements was selected as the 2016 baseline performance metric for ASHA's Strategic Objective #2 (46% of audiologists, 69% of SLPs in health care, and 73% of SLPs in schools). In 2019, 75% of audiologists, 87% of SLPs in health care, and 85% of SLPs in schools indicated "almost always" or "most of the time" to at least 15 of the 18 IPP target statements.
- Most—82% of audiologists, 78% of health care—based SLPs, and 81% of school-based SLPs—reported being satisfied with the degree of collaboration on their IPP teams.
- Overall, 38% of respondents indicated that the culture at their facility/school was very conducive to engagement in IPP.
- The majority of respondents (71%) did not have any formal education or training in IPP.
- A higher percentage of SLPs—44% of SLPs in health care and 43% of SLPs in schools—reported that they felt very prepared to effectively participate on IPP teams, compared with 33% of audiologists.
- Far fewer—20% of all respondents—indicated that they felt very prepared to <u>lead</u> an IPP team of multiple professionals.

#### Results

Analyses are presented separately for audiologists, health care—based speech-language pathologists (SLPs), and school—based SLPs, as well as for all respondents combined. Percentages are rounded and may not add to exactly 100%. Data for "all respondents" are unweighted.

#### **Screening Question**

The first survey question was intended to identify those professionals who had the opportunity to engage in IPP—that is, their caseloads included services provided to patients, clients, and/or students who were also receiving services from other health care or education service providers. Respondents who answered "no" to question 1 were automatically skipped to the end of the survey. The 5.1% (n = 66) shown under "all respondents" are not included under the "Audiologists," "SLPs in Health Care," or "SLPs in Schools" columns because they did not proceed through the survey to respond to the professional area question (Question 2) or the primary work setting question (Question 3). Also, the "All Respondents" total (n = 1,293) exceeds the sum of the "Audiologists," "SLPs in Health Care," "SLPs in Schools," and "No" responses because some primary work setting categories (i.e., "College/University," "Not Currently Employed," and "Other") are reflected only under the "All Respondents" category. This is the case for subsequent questions as well.

1. In the last 12 months, has your caseload included services provided to patients/clients/students who were also receiving services from other health care or education service providers?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
Yes	99.8	100.0	100.0	94.9
No	0.2	0.0	0.0	5.1

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 493.$   $^{b}n = 230.$   $^{c}n = 433.$   $^{d}n = 1,293.$ 

#### **Demographics**

2. In which of the following professional area(s) do you work? (Check all that apply.)

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
Audiology	100.0	0.0	0.0	40.1
Speech-language pathology	0.0	100.0	100.0	59.8
Neither audiology nor speech- language pathology	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 492.$   $^{b}n = 230.$   $^{c}n = 433.$   $^{d}n = 1,226.$ 

Respondents who answered "Neither audiology nor speech-language pathology" to Question 2 were automatically skipped to the end of the survey. These individuals were not audiologists or SLPs in a health care or school setting and were, therefore, outside the scope of this survey.

#### 3. What is your primary work setting?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
School	12.8	0.0	100.0	40.5
College/university	5.1	0.0	0.0	2.7
Hospital	28.1	41.7	0.0	19.0
Residential health care facility (skilled nursing facility, etc.)	0.4	23.0	0.0	4.5
Nonresidential health care facility (private practice, physician's office, clinic, etc.)	50.1	35.2	0.0	26.7
Not currently employed (student, retired, etc.)	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2
Other (see below)	3.3	0.0	0.0	6.3

*Note.* Respondents who selected "Not currently employed" were automatically skipped to the end of the survey.  $^{a}n = 491$ .  $^{b}n = 230$ .  $^{c}n = 433$ .  $^{d}n = 1,219$ .

#### Other responses included the following:

- Audiologists—Concierge audiology; consultant; early intervention (2 responses); industry (2 responses);
   manufacturer; military (3 responses); multiple settings (3 responses); outpatient facility; rehab facility; retail
- SLPs—Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education; clinical tools for SLP; early intervention (20 responses); ECI; home health (23 responses); multiple settings (5 responses); non-profit agency; outpatient facility (6 responses); rehab facility (2 responses)

According to <u>ASHA's 2018 year-end counts</u>, 48.1% of all constituents are employed in a school setting, 3.3% in a college/university, 13.5% in a hospital, 9.0% in a residential health care facility, 19.2% in a nonresidential health care facility, and 6.9% in another setting. The primary employment facility of survey respondents differs from that of the overall ASHA constituency because the survey sample targeted those who are employed full time as clinical service providers. Ample representation was received for all targeted categories.

#### 4. What is your primary employment function?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
Clinical service provider	92.4	91.7	86.5	89.9
Special education teacher	0.2	0.0	9.5	3.5
College/university instructor	2.0	0.0	0.0	1.2
Researcher	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.2
Consultant	1.0	0.9	0.7	1.0
Administrator	2.4	7.0	1.4	2.7
Other (see below)	1.2	0.4	1.9	1.4

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 490.$   $^{b}n = 229.$   $^{c}n = 430.$   $^{d}n = 1,213.$ 

#### Other responses included the following:

- Audiologists—Account manager; assistive technology specialist; aural habilitation; both clinical and administrative; care coordinator; hearing impaired
- SLPs in Health Care—Inpatient rehab admissions coordinator

- SLPs in Schools—Assistive technology specialist; consultant and instructional specialist SLP; diagnostician; evaluator; learning specialist; service provider and preschool coordinator; special ed coordinator; TOSA (coach for SLPs and SPED teachers)
- All Respondents—Clinical educator; clinical operations director/SLP; conducting evaluations for DHH students
  across the state; developmental testing; early on provider; educational audiologist; evaluator, salesperson for
  cognitive tools; SLP preceptor/mentor
- 5. How many years have you been employed in the audiology and/or speech-language pathology profession? (Exclude your clinical fellowship. Round to the nearest full year. Enter "0" if you have never been employed in the profession/s.)

Statistic	Audiologists (%) <sup>a</sup> SLPs in Health Care (%) <sup>b</sup>		SLPs in Schools (%) <sup>c</sup>	All Respondents (%) <sup>d</sup>
Median	18.0	12.0	17.0	16.0
Mean	18.9	14.7	17.1	17.3
Standard deviation	12.5	11.0	10.7	11.6
Range	1—48	1-50	1-50	1-50

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 488. ^{b}n = 229. ^{c}n = 429. ^{d}n = 1,210.$ 

#### **Interprofessional Collaborative Practice (IPP)**

The next section of the survey focused on respondents' participation in IPP. Individuals were provided with the following definition at this point in the online survey.

For the purposes of this survey, "interprofessional collaborative practice" occurs when two or more individuals from different fields work together to provide comprehensive, integrated services (e.g., develop and implement a treatment plan collaboratively as a team) in a health care environment or school setting.

This definition is based on the <u>World Health Organization (WHO) framework</u>. The definition also appeared before Questions 8–13.

6. During the past 12 months, have you engaged in interprofessional collaborative practice, as defined above, in your primary work setting?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
Yes	70.3	83.8	91.1	81.1
No	29.7	16.2	8.9	18.9

*Note.* Respondents who selected "No" were automatically skipped to question 9.  $^{a}n = 485$ .  $^{b}n = 228$ .  $^{c}n = 428$ .  $^{d}n = 1,205$ .

The following question is based on the Interprofessional Collaborative Practice Survey in the toolkit titled <u>Enhancing</u> <u>Capacity for Interprofessional Collaboration: A Resource to Support Program Planning - Toronto Rehabilitation</u> <u>Institute (February 2009)</u> (Part 3, p. 4).

7. For the next set of questions, consider <u>one</u> health care or school-based team experience that you have had within the past 12 months.

Audiologists	Almost always	Most of the time	"Almost always" and "most of the time" (combined)	Less than half the time	Almost never
My colleagues from other fields treat me with respect.	69.8	27.4	97.2	2.5	0.3
I work with my team to make decisions based on consensus.	59.1	33.8	92.9	6.2	0.9
I accept ownership for resolving conflict with team members.	62.9	33.0	95.9	3.4	0.6
When I have a disagreement with a colleague, I ask questions in order to understand their perspective.	64.7	33.7	98.4	1.2	0.3
I take time to explain my role to colleagues.	57.6	32.2	89.8	7.7	2.5
Leadership is shared in team meetings.	37.8	43.8	81.6	14.7	3.8
When two team members can both perform a task, we make a decision about it.	57.2	37.2	94.4	4.4	1.3
I am consistent in sharing patient/student information.	74.5	24.8	99.3	0.6	0.0
I willingly engage in shared decision-making.	78.7	18.8	97.5	2.2	0.3
The team talks together about our professional similarities and differences.	26.2	32.8	59.0	26.2	14.8
I trust decisions made by the interprofessional team.	55.7	42.0	97.7	2.3	0.0
Administrative duties that support the team, such as minute taking, are shared.	25.0	36.5	61.5	20.3	18.2
I acknowledge my team members' qualities and skills regularly.	63.3	30.8	94.1	5.6	0.3
I involve patients/students/families in their treatment plans.	80.1	18.2	98.3	1.7	0.0
When deciding on treatment plans, I consult with colleagues from other fields.	41.4	37.7	79.1	18.2	2.6
I am comfortable receiving feedback from team members.	73.8	25.2	99.0	1.0	0.0
The team includes everyone who supports patient/student care in my area, including clinicians, team members who provide administrative support, teachers, etc.	52.1	33.3	85.4	10.2	4.3
I feel included in my health care/school-based team.	48.2	40.3	88.5	9.6	2.0

*n* ≥ 296.

SLPs in Health Care	Almost always	Most of the time	"Almost always" and "most of the time" (combined)	Less than half the time	Almost never
My colleagues from other fields treat me with respect.	68.3	30.1	98.4	1.6	0.0
I work with my team to make decisions based on consensus.	57.7	35.7	93.4	6.0	0.5
I accept ownership for resolving conflict with team members.	72.9	25.4	98.3	1.7	0.0
When I have a disagreement with a colleague, I ask questions in order to understand their perspective.	71.3	28.2	99.5	0.6	0.0
I take time to explain my role to colleagues.	62.6	33.0	95.6	3.3	1.1
Leadership is shared in team meetings.	39.2	46.4	85.6	12.2	2.2
When two team members can both perform a task, we make a decision about it.	59.3	35.2	94.5	4.4	1.1
I am consistent in sharing patient/student information.	70.9	28.6	99.5	0.5	0.0
I willingly engage in shared decision-making.	87.9	12.1	100.0	0.0	0.0
The team talks together about our professional similarities and differences.	32.0	37.1	69.1	22.5	8.4
I trust decisions made by the interprofessional team.	48.0	48.0	96.0	4.0	0.0
Administrative duties that support the team, such as minute taking, are shared.	26.7	33.0	59.7	19.9	20.5
I acknowledge my team members' qualities and skills regularly.	70.6	25.4	96.0	4.0	0.0
I involve patients/students/families in their treatment plans.	86.4	12.4	98.8	1.1	0.0
When deciding on treatment plans, I consult with colleagues from other fields.	35.6	45.2	80.8	17.5	1.7
I am comfortable receiving feedback from team members.	70.8	28.1	98.9	1.1	0.0
The team includes everyone who supports patient/student care in my area, including clinicians, team members who provide administrative support, teachers, etc.	62.9	27.0	89.9	8.4	1.7
I feel included in my health care/school-based team.	59.9	33.9	93.8	5.1	1.1

 $n\geq 176.$ 

SLPs in Schools	Almost always	Most of the time	"Almost always" and "most of the time" (combined)	Less than half the time	Almost never
My colleagues from other fields treat me with respect.	74.0	24.5	98.5	1.6	0.0
I work with my team to make decisions based on consensus.	66.2	30.4	96.6	3.1	0.3
I accept ownership for resolving conflict with team members.	69.4	27.5	96.9	2.6	0.5
When I have a disagreement with a colleague, I ask questions in order to understand their perspective.	67.4	30.2	97.6	2.1	0.3
I take time to explain my role to colleagues.	56.7	30.8	87.5	11.5	1.0
Leadership is shared in team meetings.	37.8	46.4	84.2	14.1	1.8
When two team members can both perform a task, we make a decision about it.	55.8	37.7	93.5	4.2	2.4
I am consistent in sharing patient/student information.	72.3	25.8	98.1	1.6	0.3
I willingly engage in shared decision-making.	83.9	15.9	99.8	0.3	0.0
The team talks together about our professional similarities and differences.	25.5	37.9	63.4	26.8	9.8
I trust decisions made by the interprofessional team.	49.5	47.9	97.4	2.4	0.3
Administrative duties that support the team, such as minute taking, are shared.	29.0	39.4	68.4	18.6	13.0
I acknowledge my team members' qualities and skills regularly.	66.0	31.6	97.6	2.4	0.0
I involve patients/students/families in their treatment plans.	67.2	27.0	94.2	5.3	0.5
When deciding on treatment plans, I consult with colleagues from other fields.	39.8	40.3	80.1	18.6	1.3
I am comfortable receiving feedback from team members.	65.5	32.6	98.1	1.9	0.0
The team includes everyone who supports patient/student care in my area, including clinicians, team members who provide administrative support, teachers, etc.	69.2	27.1	96.3	2.9	0.8
I feel included in my health care/school-based team.	58.7	36.8	95.5	4.5	0.0

 $n \ge 374$ .

All Respondents	Almost always	Most of the time	"Almost always" and "most of the time" (combined)	Less than half the time	Almost never
My colleagues from other fields treat me with respect.	71.7	26.2	97.9	2.0	0.1
I work with my team to make decisions based on consensus.	62.1	32.6	94.7	4.7	0.6
I accept ownership for resolving conflict with team members.	68.8	28.1	96.9	2.7	0.4
When I have a disagreement with a colleague, I ask questions in order to understand their perspective.	67.6	30.9	98.5	1.4	0.2
I take time to explain my role to colleagues.	58.6	31.2	89.8	8.6	1.6
Leadership is shared in team meetings.	38.1	45.6	83.7	13.6	2.7
When two team members can both perform a task, we make a decision about it.	57.1	37.2	94.3	3.9	1.8
I am consistent in sharing patient/student information.	72.8	26.1	98.9	1.0	0.1
I willingly engage in shared decision-making.	83.2	15.9	99.1	0.8	0.1
The team talks together about our professional similarities and differences.	27.5	36.0	63.5	25.5	11.1
I trust decisions made by the interprofessional team.	52.2	45.2	97.4	2.5	0.1
Administrative duties that support the team, such as minute taking, are shared.	27.3	37.0	64.3	19.3	16.4
I acknowledge my team members' qualities and skills regularly.	66.2	30.1	96.3	3.6	0.1
I involve patients/students/families in their treatment plans.	76.8	20.1	96.9	3.0	0.2
When deciding on treatment plans, I consult with colleagues from other fields.	39.3	40.6	79.9	18.2	1.9
I am comfortable receiving feedback from team members.	70.1	28.6	98.7	1.3	0.0
The team includes everyone who supports patient/student care in my area, including clinicians, team members who provide administrative support, teachers, etc.	61.5	29.6	91.1	6.6	2.3
I feel included in my health care/school-based team.	55.8	37.1	92.9	6.3	0.9

 $n \geq 901.$ 

In addition to examining the frequency of responses *across all respondents*, as shown in the above tables, the research team was also interested in exploring how a single individual responded to the self-assessment items. That is, we wanted to know how many respondents answered "Almost always" or "Most of the time" <u>to all items</u> in Question 7 for a given IPP experience.

Group	Audio	logists	SLPs in Health Care		SLPs in Schools		All Respondents	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Responded "Almost								
always" or "Most of the	95	29.2	63	34.4	134	34.9	316	33.4
time" to all items in Q7								
Did <u>not</u> respond "Almost								
always" or "Most of the	230	70.8	120	65.6	250	65.1	631	66.6
time" to all items in Q7								
Total # respondents	325	100.0	183	100.0	384	100.0	947	100.0

To allow a little latitude, we also examined how many respondents answered "Almost always" or "Most of the time" to at least 15 of the 18 items (approximately 80% of the IPP target behaviors) in Question 7.

Group	Audiol	ologists SLPs in Health Care		alth Care	SLPs in Schools		All Respondents	
Group	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Responded "Almost always"								
or "Most of the time" to at	244	75.1	159	86.9	327	85.2	774	81.7
least 15 items in Q7								
Did <u>not</u> respond "Almost								
always" or "Most of the	81	24.9	24	13.1	57	14.8	173	18.3
time" to at least 15 items in	91	24.9	24	24   13.1	13.1   3/	14.0 1/3	1/3	18.3
Q7								
Total # respondents	325	100.0	183	100.0	384	100.0	947	100.0

#### **IPP Culture**

8. Are you satisfied with the degree of collaboration on your IPP team(s)?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
Yes	82.0	77.5	81.2	81.3
No	11.3	18.0	13.8	13.5
I don't know	6.7	4.5	5.0	5.2

 $a_n = 300$ .  $b_n = 178$ .  $c_n = 378$ .  $d_n = 910$ .

9. What are some of the barriers that you have encountered relative to engaging in IPP at your facility/school? (Check all that apply.)

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
High workload/caseload	58.1	59.5	82.4	68.6
Lack of training in IPP	18.0	16.1	21.1	18.6
Limited support from administration	24.2	20.8	19.8	21.9
Limited time for collaboration	69.9	73.2	85.6	77.5
Limited understanding of my role	17.3	16.7	17.6	17.8
No clinical need	6.9	1.8	1.6	3.3
Productivity or billing practices don't support	38.8	52.4	11.1	29.9
Scope of practice infringement	14.2	11.9	8.1	11.1
Other (Specify.)	4.2	4.2	4.9	4.4

 $a_n = 289$ .  $b_n = 168$ .  $c_n = 351$ .  $d_n = 873$ .

10. How conducive is the culture to engage in IPP at your facility/school?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)	
Very conducive	34.7	39.3	38.8	37.5	
Somewhat conducive	46.8	46.3	46.3	46.3	
Not very conducive	15.8	12.1	13.7	14.2	
Not at all conducive	2.7	2.3	1.2	2.0	

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 438.$   $^{b}n = 214.$   $^{c}n = 415.$   $^{d}n = 1,129.$ 

# **IPP Preparedness**

11. Have you had any formal education or training on IPP (academic or clinical coursework in IPP, professional development activity specifically on IPP, etc.)?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)	
Yes	26.4	29.9	28.8	29.0	
No	73.6	70.1	71.2	71.0	

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 439.$   $^{b}n = 214.$   $^{c}n = 413.$   $^{d}n = 1,128.$ 

# 12. How have you acquired your skills/knowledge in the area of IPP? (Check all that apply.)

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)	
Conference	16.5	9.4	10.2	12.6	
In-service	6.9	14.4	15.2	11.6	
IPE/IPP published literature	5.6	3.6	4.6	5.0	
On-the-job	83.8	92.8	91.5	88.6	
Self-taught	53.1	54.0	60.1	56.5	
Webinar	9.6	5.0	5.7	7.5	
Workshop	5.6	4.3	7.1	5.7	

 $a_n = 303$ .  $b_n = 139$ .  $c_n = 283$ .  $d_n = 761$ .

# 13. How prepared do you feel you are to effectively participate on IPP teams?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)	
Very prepared	32.6	43.7	43.2	39.7	
Somewhat prepared	49.2	47.4	49.1	48.6	
Not very prepared	14.3	6.6	6.6	9.4	
Not at all prepared	3.9	2.3	1.0	2.3	

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 433.$   $^{b}n = 213.$   $^{c}n 407.$   $^{d}n = 1,116.$ 

# 14. How prepared do you feel you are to lead an IPP team of multiple (health care or education) professionals?

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)	
Very prepared	15.1	20.3	21.1	19.5	
Somewhat prepared	35.8	46.2	44.9	41.2	
Not very prepared	30.2	25.9	26.0	27.2	
Not at all prepared	18.8	7.5	8.1	12.1	

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 430.$   $^{b}n = 212.$   $^{c}n = 408.$   $^{d}n = 1,112.$ 

15. What are the reasons you engage in IPP? (Check all that apply.)

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)
Advance professional skill set	32.0	45.5	41.9	39.2
Billing requirements	3.2	3.0	2.8	3.5
Fewer preventable errors	21.0	25.7	19.4	21.8
Improved patient/client outcomes	93.2	95.0	95.6	94.5
Improved patient/client satisfaction	73.8	81.7	54.3	68.0
Improved quality of care	91.9	92.1	80.9	88.2
Improved relationships with other disciplines	63.6	72.8	76.7	70.9
Reduced clinical stress and burnout	13.0	22.3	33.9	22.9
Reduced health care costs	6.4	10.4	1.0	5.1
Other (Specify.)	2.2	0.5	3.1	2.4

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 409$ .  $^{b}n = 202$ .  $^{c}n = 387$ .  $^{d}n = 1,056$ .

Question 6 was repeated at the end of the survey to determine any change in response as participants were made aware of the specific aspects of IPP while taking the survey.

16. This survey posed questions that may have changed the way that you think about IPP. Would you now say that you have engaged in interprofessional collaborative practice in your primary work setting in the past 12 months?\*

Response	Audiologists <sup>a</sup> (%)	SLPs in Health Care <sup>b</sup> (%)	SLPs in Schools <sup>c</sup> (%)	All Respondents <sup>d</sup> (%)	
Yes	75.1	87.6	88.1	82.8	
No	24.9	12.4	11.9	17.2	

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}n = 422.$   $^{b}n = 210.$   $^{c}n = 405.$   $^{d}n = 1,099.$ 

The following table presents the differences in "Yes" responses between Questions 6 and 13. Note that the number of respondents to Questions 6 and 13 differed, as some individuals dropped out of the survey before completing it in its entirety. There was little difference in responses. The largest change was for audiologists, with 4.8% more indicating at the end of the survey that they engaged in interprofessional collaborative practice (compared to the percentage indicating so at the beginning of the survey).

Response	Audiologists (%)	SLPs in Health Care (%)	SLPs in Schools (%)	All Respondents (%)	
Question 6 = yes	70.3	83.8	91.1	81.1	
Question 13 = yes	75.1	87.6	88.1	82.8	
Difference (%) in response from start of survey to end of survey	4.8	3.8	-3.0	1.7	

<sup>\*</sup>Note: This question was worded as follows on the 2016 and 2017 surveys: "Given your ratings of IPP competencies in this survey, have you engaged in interprofessional collaborative practice in your primary work setting in the past 12 months?"

Finally, the research team wanted to examine the individual responses to Question 7 by whether or not respondents had received any formal education or training on IPP (Question 10). The total number of respondents displayed in the following tables excludes those who did <u>not</u> respond "Almost always" or "Most of the time" <u>to all items</u> in Question 7 (top table in that question) or did <u>not</u> respond "Almost always" or "Most of the time" <u>to at least 15 of the 18 items (83%)</u> in Question 7 (bottom table in that question). In both cases, respondents who had not received formal education or training on IPP were more likely to rate either all 18 statements or 15 of the 18 statements as "Almost always" or "Most of the time."

Responded "Almost always" or "Most of the time" to all items in Question 7.

Group	Audiologists		SLPs in Health Care		SLPs in Schools		All Respondents	
Group	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Had formal								
education or	33	35.5	21	31.8	48	35.8	113	36.2
training on IPP	33	33.3	21	31.6	40	33.6	113	30.2
(Q10 = yes)								
Did not have formal								
education or	60	64.5	45	68.2	86	64.2	199	63.8
training on IPP	60	04.5	45	00.2	80	04.2	199	05.6
(Q10 = no)								
Total # respondents	9	3	66		134		312	

Responded "Almost always" or "Most of the time" to at least 15 of the 18 items (83%) in Question 7.

Group	Audiologists		SLPs in Health Care		SLPs in Schools		All Respondents	
Group	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Had formal								
education or	73	30.2	56	35.0	100	30.7	252	32.8
training on IPP	73	30.2	30	33.0	100	30.7	232	32.0
(Q10 = yes)								
Did not have formal								
education or	169	69.8	104	65.0	226	69.3	516	67.2
training on IPP	109	09.8	104	65.0	220	09.5	210	07.2
(Q10 = no)								
Total # respondents	24	12	160		326		768	

Additional resources on ASHA's IPP initiatives may be found at <a href="http://www.asha.org/Practice/Interprofessional-Education-Practice/">http://www.asha.org/Practice/Interprofessional-Education-Practice/</a>.