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Alabama		X				SLPA or Aud. Asst.							10/1
Alaska		X				SLPA		SLPA			2		15/2
Arizona	X					SLPA		SLPA			2	3	10/1
Arkansas		X				SLPA		SLPA	SLP Aide		2	3	SLPA10/yr max
California		X				X*		SLPA		SLP, AUD, and Industrial AUD Aide*	2-3*		SLPA 12/2
Colorado	X			X*						Hearing Aid Provider Apprentice			0
Connecticut					X*						3		0
DC		x				SLPA		SLPA/Aud Asst.		Aud Asst*			10/2
Delaware		Aud. Aide only							SLP Aide	AUD Aides*			0
Florida			X			SLPA			Aud Asst.		2	3	20/2
Georgia		X						Aud Asst.	SLP Aide		2	1	10/2*
Hawaii				X*									0
Idaho	X					SLP Aide		SLPA		Aud Support Personnel			10/1*
Illinois	X							SLPA			2 (SLPAs)	1 (SLPAs)	10/2*
Indiana		X					SLP Assistant	SLP Associate	SLP Aide		2		0
Iowa					X*				SLP & Aud Asst. I & II		3		0
Kansas		X							SLP Asst. & Aud Asst.				0
Kentucky				X*									0
Louisiana	X*					SLPA*			SLP or Aud. Aide		3 (SLPAs)		10/1*
Maine		X						SLPA			2		0
Maryland	X					SLPA		SLPA		Aud Asst*	2	1	10/2
Massachusetts	X	X				SLPA or Aud. Asst	SLPA or Aud. Asst	SLPA or Aud. Asst.			3		0
Michigan					X								0

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Minnesota						SLPA		SLPA			1		0
Mississippi		X							SLP & Aud Aides		4		0
Missouri		X				SLPA or Aud. Asst			SLP & Aud. Aides		3*		0
Montana	SLPA & Aud Asst*	X				SLP Aide or Asst II	SLP Aide or Asst I			SLP Aide or Asst III & Aud. Aide or Asst*	3*		
Nebraska		X			SL Technicians Endorsement only	SLPA, Aud. Asst, or Speech Language Technician		SLPA or Aud Asst			2*		10/1
Nevada					X								0
New Hampshire			X*					SLPA			2		0
New Jersey					X								0
New Mexico	X						Apprentice in SL				3		20/2
New York					X								0
North Carolina		X	Audiometric Technicians only			SLPA		SLPA	Audiology Asst	Audiometric Technician	2*	1*	*
North Dakota	SLPA			X		SLPA					2		10
Ohio	X								SLPA & Aud. Aides		2		*
Oklahoma	X							SLPA (after June 1, 2013)	SLPA (until June 1, 2013) & Aud. Asst		2		20/2
Oregon			SLPA							X*	2-4*		15/2
Pennsylvania		SLPA or Aud. Asst.								30 hrs or equivalent	3		0
Rhode Island		X					Support Personnel-Speech Language			Audiometric Aide	1/3*		0
South Carolina	X					SLPA					2	3	8/2
South Dakota	X					SLPA		SLPA			3		0
Tennessee		SLPA				60 semester credit hours					2		5/1
Texas	X					SLPA & Aud. Asst				Aud Asst	4*		20/2

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Utah									SLP Aide & Aud Aide*		3		0
Vermont					X								0
Virginia			SLPA*										0
Washington			SLPA					X*					30/3
West Virginia		X				SLPA or Aud. Asst		SLPA or Aud Asst.*			2		5/1
Wisconsin					*						2-SLP, 5/10-Aud		0
Wyoming			x			SLPA		SLPA	Audiometric Technician		3		12
TOTAL	15	20	7	4	9	23	5	20	16	9	36	8	25

* Exceptions

- CA** (6) Bachelors degree in SLP or communication disorders fulfills equivalency standard for assistants. Board may consider 9 mo FT experience in lieu of field or bachelor's clinical experience.
(10) Aides do not need formal academic or clinical training and must be directly supervised.
(11) A supervisor may not supervise more than two SLPAs, but may supervise a total of three support personnel, including SLPAs and aides.
- CO** (4) See school trends chart for detailed requirements for schools.
- CT** (5) Unlicensed, but audiology support personnel are addressed in the laws.
- DC** (10) Two years of accredited college education with a minimum of 48 semester hours or 72 quarter hours or technical school certification program.
- DE** (10) Aud. Aide- Certification By Council of Accreditation of Occupational Hearing Conservationists or equivalent.
- GA** (13) Continuing education for audiology aides only.
- HI** (4) See school trends chart for detailed requirements for schools.
- IA** (5) Unlicensed but in rules.
- ID** (13) Continuing education hours do not apply to audiology support personnel.
- IL** (13) Continuing education requirements differ for school-based paraprofessionals.
- KY** (4) See school trends chart for detailed requirements for schools.
- LA** (1) Offers a provisional license. Aides are not licensed.
(13) Continuing education requirements apply only to assistants. Continuing education is recommended for aides.
- MD** (10) Audiology assistant licensing requirements are yet to be determined in the regulations.
- MO** (11) Not specified for Aides.
- MT** (1) Provides an option to be licensed.
(10) Does not specify degree requirement.
(11) Allows no more than three full-time equivalent aides or assistants to be supervised.
(13) 20 units apply to slp aides and assistants I, ten hours apply to slp aides, or assistants II and III and audiology aides and industrial aides or assistants.
- NC** (11) & (12) Does not apply to audiometric technician.
(13) As assigned by supervising SLP.
- ND** (4) See school trends chart for detailed requirements for schools.
- NE** (11) Not specified for Speech-language Technician.

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NH	(3) Not required in schools.												
OH	(13) Amount and frequency not specified.												
OR	(10) Administrative rules specify course hours and contact hours of clinical interaction. A temporary, provisional certificate is available to those completing clinical fieldwork. (11) Supervision exemptions apply allowing up to four full-time.												
RI	(11) SLP 1; Aud 3.												
TX	(11) An exception may be made allowing supervision of more than four individuals if the supervisor submits documentation demonstrating their ability to manage the entire caseload.												
UT	(8) Aides are regulated but are not required to be licensed or registered.												
VA	(3) 2014 law provides for regulation of SLPAs-not yet defined in rules.												
WA	(8) Associates degree, or bachelor's degree, or board approved work experience.												
WI	(5) Not licensed, registered, or certified but in licensure law. (11) Industrial settings allow for the supervision of 10 full-time equivalent "individuals."												
WV	(8) SLPA or Audiologist may have an associate's degree or a bachelor's degree.												