

## **Certified Practising Speech Pathologists**

**have an ongoing commitment to enhancing their professional practice skills ...**

### **What is a Certified Practising Speech Pathologist?**

Certified Practising Speech Pathologists take part in the Professional Self Regulation (PSR) program offered to eligible members of Speech Pathology Australia. This voluntary program provides an objective means of structuring, measuring and acknowledging the speech pathologist's commitment to continuing professional development.

Speech Pathology Australia offers members an opportunity to earn Certified Practising Speech Pathologist status.

This allows speech pathologists to demonstrate to clients and their families, employers, colleagues and the public that they have a continuing commitment to updating and extending their professional abilities.

### **What is a Certified Practising Speech Pathologist (CPSP) required to do?**

The CPSP undertakes activities that develop professional knowledge and competencies including:

- Attendance at workshops, conferences and seminars
- Independent study including active reading and internet-based learning
- Mentoring and peer discussions
- Developing competence in use of allied health technologies
- Teaching or presenting to professionals, community groups, client and carer groups
- External study with a university or other tertiary institution

A minimum number of points must be accrued:

- Each year
- Over a three-year period
- In clinical practice

Random audits are conducted to ensure adherence to the program's requirements.

### **How can I identify a Certified Practising Speech Pathologist?**

Certified Practising Speech Pathologists can be identified by:

- The speech pathologist's "Certificate of PSR Recognition" that states they have met the requirements of the program and are eligible to use the title Certified Practising Speech Pathologist (CPSP) for the year stated in the certificate.
- CPSP status is listed in the search results on the Association's online 'Find a Speech Pathologist'.
- By contacting Speech Pathology Australia.

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