

TITLE 16 OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
CHAPTER 26 HEARING, SPEECH AND AUDIOLOGY PRACTITIONERS
PART 4 RENEWAL OF LICENSES

16.26.4.1 ISSUING AGENCY: New Mexico Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Practices Board.
[11/9/1996; 16.26.4.1 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 26.4.1, 2/3/2006]

16.26.4.2 SCOPE: All licensees complying with the renewal of licenses to practice speech-language pathology, audiology or hearing aid dispensing.
[11/9/1996; 16.26.4.2 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 26.4.2, 2/3/2006; A, 1/29/2015]

16.26.4.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: These rules are promulgated pursuant to the Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Practices Act, Sections 61-14B-1 to -25 NMSA 1978, and the Uniform Licensing Act, Sections 61-1-1 to -33 NMSA 1978.
[11/09/1996; 11/07/1998; 16.26.4.3 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 26.4.3, 2/3/06; A, 1/29/2015]

16.26.4.4 DURATION: Permanent.
[11/9/1996; 16.26.4.4 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 26.4.4, 2/3/2006]

16.26.4.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: November 9, 1996, unless a later date is cited at the end of a section.
[11/9/1996; 11/7/1998; 16.26.4.5 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 26.4.5, 2/3/2006]

16.26.4.6 OBJECTIVE: The objective of Part 4 is to outline requirements, procedures, and criteria for renewal of licenses.
[12/21/1971; 11/09/1996; 16.26.4.6 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 26.4.6, 2/3/2006; A, 1/29/2015]

16.26.4.7 DEFINITIONS: [RESERVED]

16.26.4.8 RENEWAL OF LICENSES:

A. All licensees except clinical fellows and apprentices shall apply for license renewal biennially on or before January 30 of the renewal year, on the renewal forms supplied by the board office. The renewal requirements for clinical fellows and apprentices are set forth in Sections 9 and 10 of Part 4.

B. Licensees shall assume the total responsibility for:
(1) filing a current mailing address and electronic mail (email) with the board office;
(2) completing the renewal form and ensuring its delivery to the board office on or before January 30 of the renewal year;

(3) enclosing the appropriate fee; and
(a) initial licenses issued prior to the month of renewal will be granted a license term of the balance of the remainder of the current license year, plus one license year;

(b) no license shall be issued for longer than 24 months;
(4) enclosing documentation of meeting continuing education requirements.

C. To assist in the renewal process, the board office will:
(1) send renewal notices and the appropriate forms to the licensee's email address of record on or before December 15 prior to the expiration of the current license; and
(2) mail renewed and reinstated licenses no later than 30 days from day of receipt of application, fees and appropriate documentation.

D. Expiration: All speech-language pathology, audiology and hearing aid dispensing licenses expire on January 30 of the renewal year and renewal forms must be complete and postmarked, if submitted by mail no later than the expiration date or a late fee will be assessed without exception.

E. Grace period: There is a grace period permitting renewal of expired licenses which ends March 31 of the intended licensure year. However the license shall be considered expired during the grace period and the licensee must refrain from practicing.

F. Renewal of license during the grace period ending March 31 of the intended license year will require payment of a late fee.

G. If a licensee fails to renew within the grace period, the licensee must reapply as a new applicant, meet all applicable requirements, meet CEU requirements and pay the application fee and renewal fee.

H. Licensees shall be notified by the board office of all license expirations 10 days after the close of the grace period.

I. Timely renewal of license(s) is the full and complete responsibility of the licensee, Pursuant to Subsection C of 16.26.4.8 NMAC of these regulations. Non-receipt of the renewal notification by the licensee will not exempt licensure expiration or late penalty fees.

[12/21/1971; 2/5/1980; 4/5/1983; 11/9/1996; 11/7/1998; 11/27/1999; 16.26.4.8 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 26.4.8, 2/3/2006; A, 11/29/2008; A, 6/7/2010; A, 1/29/2015; A, 11/28/2017; A, 1/10/2020]

16.26.4.9 RENEWAL OF CLINICAL FELLOW LICENSE: The CFY must be completed within a maximum period of 36 consecutive months. Prior to or during the first 12 months of clinical fellow licensure, the clinical fellow must take and pass a nationally recognized examination in the clinical fellow's field. Proof of passing this exam is required for renewing the CFY license. If the exam is not passed within the first year of CFY licensure, the CFY license cannot be renewed or extended.

A. The clinical fellowship license shall be renewed annually on a form supplied by the board office and shall expire annually one year after the date of initial licensure. The renewal must be postmarked no later than the expiration date.

B. A late penalty fee will be assessed if the license is not renewed by the expiration date.

C. If a licensee fails to renew within 60 days of expiration of the license, the licensee must reapply, meet all applicable requirements, meet CEU requirements and pay the application fee.

[11/7/1998; 16.26.4.9 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 26.4.9, 2/3/2006; A, 1/29/2015; A, 11/28/2017; A, 1/10/2020]

16.26.4.10 RENEWAL OF TEMPORARY PARAPROFESSIONAL LICENSE (APPRENTICE IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY):

A. All temporary paraprofessional licensees shall apply for license renewal annually on or before August 30th and are required to provide the following documentation to the board each year:

- (1) a completed renewal form;
- (2) the required license renewal fee; and
- (3) a completed board approved verification of employment form verifying:
 - (a) licensee's employment;
 - (b) performance responsibilities of the apprentice in speech-language;
 - (c) imitations on employment practices of the apprentice in speech-language license holder (apprentice in speech-language);
 - (d) provision for supervision by an SLP licensed according to this act;
- (4) a completed board approved verification of education form verifying:
 - (a) course work completed in communication disorders or other courses as outlined in the degree plan with a minimum GPA of 3.0;
 - (b) current degree plan once the licensee is admitted to a master's degree program; and
 - (c) copy of transcripts from college or university.

B. Expiration: All temporary paraprofessional licenses expire on August 30th of each year and renewal of licenses must be postmarked no later than the expiration date of the license or a late fee will be assessed without exception.

C. A temporary paraprofessional license may not be renewed if the licensee has not been accepted into a master's degree program within two years of initial licensure.

D. If a licensee fails to renew within 60 days of expiration of the license, the licensee must reapply, meet all applicable requirements, meet CEU requirements and pay the application fee and renewal fee.

E. Temporary paraprofessional license as an apprentice in speech-language is a terminal license and as such may be renewed no more than four times total.

[11/7/1998; 11/27/1999; 16.26.4.10 NMAC - Rn & A, 16 NMAC 26.4.10, 2/3/2006; A, 11/29/2008; A, 11/28/2017; A, 1/10/2020]

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HED-81-6 (HSD), Regulations Governing the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Act, filed 8/4/1981.
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