

## WHAT IS ASHA CERTIFICATION?

The ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) is a nationally recognized professional credential in the fields of Audiology (CCC-A) and Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP).

## WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE ASHA-CERTIFIED?



#### GRADUATE DEGREE

from an accredited program



### PASSING SCORE

on national examination



#### 1,600+ HOURS

of supervised clinical experience



#### 30 HOURS

of continuing education every three years

Only those who complete a rigorous academic program, pass a national examination and engage in continuing education can be ASHA-certified.

#### WHY DOES IT MATTER?



**7.7%** of American children have a voice, language or swallowing disorder

**7.5M** Americans have trouble using their voices



**60%** of veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan have hearing loss

**50M** Americans experience hearing loss

The ability to communicate effectively is vital. ASHA-Certified Professionals are extensively trained to identify speech, language and hearing issues at the early stages, help prevent them in certain patients and treat them in others — these professionals are dedicated to improving lives.

# WHY HIRE AN ASHA-CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL?

Backed by 60 years of accumulated knowledge and clinical expertise, those who earn this credential meet the highest standards of excellence in their professions.