

# Standard Area 1.0

## Service Delivery



### 1.2 Evidence-Informed Practice

#### Standard

A **regulated member** of ACSLPA actively seeks, promotes, supports and incorporates an **evidence-informed** approach in his/her practice.

#### Indicators

To demonstrate this standard, the regulated member will:

- a) Assess new research, knowledge and emerging trends to determine applicability to practice.
- b) Incorporate current evidence, best practices and professional guidelines into service delivery decisions.
- c) Support the development of new knowledge through data collection, program evaluation and clinical inquiry as appropriate.
- d) Evaluate his/her practice to determine the impact of evidence-informed procedures on client outcomes and **quality services**.

#### Expected Outcomes

**Clients** can expect that the regulated member seeks, promotes, supports and incorporates an evidence-informed approach in the provision of quality services.

#### Resources

All ACSLPA documents and relevant Alberta Government legislation can be accessed from the ACSLPA website at [www.acslpa.ca](http://www.acslpa.ca).

- ACSLPA. (2017). *Code of Ethics*. Edmonton: Author.
- CAASPR. (2018). *Practice Competencies for Audiologists in Canada*. Ottawa: Author.
- CAASPR. (2018). *Practice Competencies for Speech-Language Pathologists in Canada*. Ottawa: Author.

**Client** refers to “an individual, family, substitute decision maker, group, agency, government, employer, employee, business, organization or community who is the direct or indirect recipient(s) of the regulated member’s expertise”.

**Evidence-informed** refers to “using the best available information combined with the client’s perspective and the professional judgment of the provider in clinical decision making”.

**Quality services** refers to “services in the health care system as measured by accessibility, acceptability, appropriateness, efficiency, effectiveness, and safety factors”.

**Regulated member** refers to “an individual who is registered with ACSLPA in any of the categories of membership prescribed in Regulation and in the ACSLPA Bylaws”.