

## 2.4 Restricted Activities

### Standard

A **regulated member** of ACSLPA performs only those **restricted activities** he/she is authorized and **competent** to perform in compliance with legislation that applies to his/her practice.

### Indicators

To demonstrate this standard, the regulated member will:

- Assess the associated risks and benefits and communicate this information to clients.
- Monitor his/her application of restricted activities and be accountable for his/her actions and decision making.
- Ensure that appropriate strategies are in place to address any critical or unexpected occurrences associated with the application of restricted activities.

### Expected Outcomes

**Clients** can expect that the regulated member has the authorization and required competence to perform restricted activities safely and effectively.

### 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. (2014). *Regulation of Healthcare Professionals in Alberta. A Quick Guide for Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists*. Edmonton: Author.
- Government of Alberta. (2000). *Health Professions Act*. Edmonton: Alberta Queen's Printer.
- Government of Alberta. (2000). *Schedule 7.1 Health Services Restricted Activities in Government Organization Act*. Edmonton: Alberta Queen's Printer.
- Government of Alberta (2002). *Health Professions Act, Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists Profession Regulation*. Edmonton: Alberta Queen's Printer.

**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".

**Competence/competent/competency** refers to "the combined knowledge, skills, attitudes and judgment required to provide professional services".

**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".

**Restricted activities** refer to "procedures or services that pose significant risk and require a high level of professional competence to be performed safely. Restricted activities may only be performed by persons authorized by their regulatory College to do so".

Restricted activities for SLPs include to:

- Insert air or gas under pressure into the ear canal,
- Insert or remove instruments or devices beyond the point in the nasal passages where they normally narrow,
- Insert or remove instruments or devices beyond the pharynx,
- Insert or remove instruments or devices into an artificial opening into the body, and
- Administer diagnostic imaging contrast agents.

Restricted activities for audiologists include to:

- Insert air or gas under pressure into the ear canal,
- Insert or remove instruments, devices, fingers or hands beyond the cartilaginous portion of the ear canal, and
- Insert a substance that subsequently solidifies into the ear canal.