



Alberta College of  
Speech-Language Pathologists  
and Audiologists

# ACSLPA INSIGHTS

## Meet the College

ACSLPA has a small, hardworking group of staff. Some of us work full time and some part time, but we are all dedicated to the regulation of audiology and speech language pathology. Our office space in Edmonton, and our home offices, are always bustling as we work to keep the College operations moving smoothly.

As staff we interact with our regulated members when they call and email us for information and in our work with Council and Committees. We also get to work with applicants as they navigate the registration process and the public when they approach us with their questions and concerns. We love being able to interact with our members and the public but we also know that you don't always know who we are, or what we do at the College.

ACSLPA is part of the tradition of self-regulatory institutions and we focus on the regulatory pillars of professional registration, competence, and conduct. Regulated members, staff, and the public all have roles to play in upholding the pillars of regulation and so we would love to take this chance to introduce ourselves and how each of us spends our days at the College!



**Michael Neth (he/him) — Registrar & CEO**

As the Registrar and CEO of ACSLPA I oversee and guide all the work that the College is doing. I also monitor changes to health legislation, connect with other Health Colleges in Alberta and Canada, and keep up-to-date with any changes to the professions of speech language pathology and audiology to ensure the College has all the information it needs to protect the public.

**Susan Rafaat (she/her)— Deputy Registrar**

I'm a longstanding employee of the College and a registered SLP. My current responsibilities focus on Regulatory matters, including registration, continuing competence, and key college documents, including our Standards of Practice, Code of Ethics, Advisory Statements, and Guidelines.





**Melanie Sicotte (she/her)— Director of Finance & Operations**

My name is Melanie Sicotte. I am a regulated speech language pathologist with a background in commerce. As ACSLPA's Director of Finance and Operations I help steward the financial, infrastructure and technical, human resources, communications, and complaints and hearings operations of the College.

**Cheryl Blair (she/her) — Audiology Practice Advisor**

I am passionate about the field of audiology and have worked in this profession for just over 35 years! My role with ACSLPA is to provide professional practice support, to represent the profession of audiology both within and outside of the College, and to help identify trending issues and develop workable solutions that serve to enhance the practice of Audiology.



**Sharia Ali (she/her) — SLP Practice Advisor**

Hello! I'm Sharia Ali, the SLP Practice Advisor. I am who members can contact for SLP professional practice advice. I am also involved with the development of ACSLPA's new continuing competence program, and with the ongoing updating and developing of new key College documents. You may also see me presenting at an ACSLPA webinar from time to time!



**Vita Wensel (she/her) — Professional Conduct Counsel & Complaints Director**

Hello, my name is Vita Wensel and I am a lawyer who oversees the conduct processes, policies and upholding Part 4 of the *Health Professions Act*. This also includes managing any complaint or concern of unprofessional conduct sent to ACSLPA as Complaints Director.





**Susan Kraft (she/her) — Senior Regulatory Coordinator**

Hi, I'm Susan Kraft, the Senior Regulatory Coordinator. I deal with all aspects of our members' registration activities and manage the Alinity member database. This is my thirteenth year with ACSLPA so most members have likely received many emails from me, and we may have talked over the past 13 years. I also assist in administering the Continuing Competence Program requirements .

**Shelly Monson (she/her)— Senior Operations Coordinator**

Hello! I have been with the College for almost 7 years! I am THE Oilers fan in the office! On game days, you may see me wear orange, blue or an Oilers jersey. My new position is Senior Operations Coordinator. What does that mean? Well, I wear numerous sombreros! I maintain and create content for the website, work with the team to keep members informed via email and print communications, create the annual report, and ensure ACSLPA branding is maintained. That's the fun stuff. I also dabble in HR, OH&S, Council elections and a bit of bookkeeping in my spare time.



**Mckenzie Henze (they/them) —  
Operations Coordinator & Hearings Director**



Hi there! I am part of the operations team at ACSLPA. I help with communications, run our social media accounts, and provide support as an administrative assistant. As Hearings Director, I handle the administrative processes for hearing tribunals, complaint reviews and registration reviews. I have a BSc in chemistry but these days the only hot water extractions I do are to keep the office well stocked with coffee!