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March 2015: News & Resources for State Association Leaders

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## Presentation for State Associations

ASHA's State Advocacy Team is developing a presentation to assist students entering the professions in better understanding the requirements to practice in their state. This presentation will be offered jointly with your association's government relations representative or designee. It will be available later this year to be provided in conjunction with your state association convention. Contact your [state liaison](#) if you are interested.

## ASHA Grants

Learn more about ASHA grants on [YouTube](#). Personnel and reimbursement grant information will be posted soon. Check back for more information.

## ASHFoundation's DiCarlo Award: Nomination Deadline is April 10

State associations are invited to submit nominations for the ASHFoundation's [State Clinical Achievement Award and the Louis M. DiCarlo Award for Recent Clinical Achievement](#). Each state association is asked to select one individual from within the state to receive an award for their recent contributions to the advancement of knowledge in clinical practice in audiology or speech-language pathology.

## An Invitation from the 2015 ASHA Convention Co-Chairs

This year's Convention is November 12-14 in Denver, Colorado. The [Convention Co-Chairs invite](#) you to "spread the word" among your colleagues and state association members to submit a proposal for this year's Convention.

## Peer Review of Guidelines Open through March 20, 2015

ASHA's Ad Hoc Committee on [Guidelines for the Clinical Doctorate in Speech-Language Pathology](#) is conducting a widespread peer review of proposed guidelines for the post-entry level clinical doctoral degree in speech-language pathology. Please consider participating in this peer review.

## ASHA's AARC, SPARC and ARTA Awards Now Accepting Applications

ASHA offers several awards for new faculty ([AARC](#)), students ([SPARC](#), [ARTA](#)), and post-doctoral fellows ([ARTA](#)) that support new faculty/researchers in advancing their careers, or foster student interest in the pursuit of PhD education and careers in academia. Please share this information and encourage applicants! AARC and SPARC Award applications are due May 15; ARTA applications due June 1. For more information, contact [academicaffairs@asha.org](mailto:academicaffairs@asha.org).

## Music Therapy

Are you aware of problems that SLPs are encountering with billing as a result of music therapists using the same billing codes on the same day as an SLP? If so, please contact Eileen Crowe at [ecrowe@asha.org](mailto:ecrowe@asha.org).

See ASHA's [advocacy calendar](#) for upcoming events

### Connect with States

- [State-By-State Requirements and Contact Information](#)
- [State Education Advocacy Leaders \(SEALS\)](#)
- [State Advocates for Reimbursement \(STARs\)](#)
- [State Medicare Administrative Contractors \(SMACs\)](#)

### Connect with ASHA

#### [Know Your State's Liaison](#)

#### Legislation and Regulatory Issues

Are you concerned about pending legislation or proposed regulations in your state? Contact your [state liaison](#) for advocacy assistance.

#### Contact Information and Leadership Changes

Do you have changes to your state association leadership? Be sure to let us know. Send an e-mail to [Eileen Crowe](#) with your updated information.