

## Collaborating with other disciplines

New Mexico:

We have tried collaborating with other disciplines: PT, OT, School Social Workers on an issue that affects funding for school based instructional support personnel, however, after several conference calls including the lobbyist for one of the groups, the NM Speech, Language and Hearing Association stopped collaborating with the group because they got " bogged down" in minutiae and could not come to consensus.

NMSHA decided to address issues on their own and we were successful in getting the NM Public Educ Dept to make one change in their funding issue regarding the CFY.

NMSHA is definitely willing to collaborate with other disciplines but it is often difficult when other association lobbyists do not listen to their respective associations regarding legislation ( e.g. Super board bill) - we could only get one of the PT Associations to speak against this bill when the lobbyist for other Associations would not oppose the legislation. We are slowly making inroads with these other associations in spite of this lobbyist.

This is definitely an important issue.

Michael Kaplan  
New Mexico

Hello from Ohio CSAPers!

1. Who are the collaborators? (lobbyist, SLP, AUD) (also the chairman of our state licensure board attends our quarterly meetings)
2. What are the forms of collaborations. (Coalition of multiple state organizations for advocacy efforts, legislative award, legislative evening event)  
(conference, advocacy/legislative /regulatory issue, public relations/program and exhibit exchange etc.)
3. What are the benefits to each partner.  
(information exchange/increased understanding of each other, unification of efforts, increased advocacy efforts and change over time)

Intraprofessional efforts tend to be joint efforts of AUD and SLP for patient education, awareness and advocacy on a more grassroots level.

Hope this is helpful,

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Hi-

In Oregon, we initiated an interprofessional social project that we called "Healthcare Night Out". Our state SLP/AuD organization (OSHA) worked with the Oregon PT Association (OPTA) and the OT Association of Oregon (OTAO) to coordinate monthly get-togethers across the state. We were later joined by the Oregon Center for Nursing. Currently we have more than 25 groups meeting in cities all over Oregon. This is the topic of a poster we will present at ASHA this year:

**Topic Area:** Interprofessional Education and Practice

**Session Number:** 7323 Poster Board 150

**Title:** Health Care Night Out: An Interprofessional Social Initiative

**Session Format:** Poster

**Day:** Friday, November 18, 2016

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

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To answer your specific questions:

1. Who are the collaborators? State association leaders from SLP/AuD, OT, PT, Nursing, and potential MD.
2. Forms of collaboration: Leaders met monthly for a year to develop strategy, plan schedules, and develop a co-branding strategy to be released at each association's annual conference. We also collaborated on the poster that will be presented at ASHA this year.
3. Benefits to each partner: Professionally, these events have provided new networking benefits, especially with respect to connections among SLPs, PTs, and OTs. Each state association has seen benefits in membership, in board participation, and in hearing about issues that the association can assist with. Increased connections with more rural areas of the state has led to a greater sense of "belonging" to the professional community for practitioners who live further away from our state's population centers.

Hope this helps,

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Good morning!

CSHA (California Speech-Language and Hearing Association) is involved in a new, effective and exciting interprofessional collaboration initiative. We have appointed CSHA liaisons (ambassadors) to 10 key associations and/or agencies with who we are involved with. The purpose of this initiative is to build professional relationships, educate each other of our professions and the populations that we serve, present at professional meetings, collaborate on legislative issues, problem solve political and professional issues and co-sponsor workshops or meetings.

If you would like more information please feel free to contact me.

Thanks very much!  
Deb Swain

Mississippi feels so strongly about this initiative that we have made this one of our strategic plan goals. See below.

Mississippi will likely not be able to send a representative to CSAP in Nov, is it possible to get a copy of the data you present? It may help us in our efforts in this area as well.

Thank-you so much,

Rebecca Lowe, 20916 MSHA President

**Focus:** Advocacy/Networking

**Strategic Objective:** To partner with a minimum of 5 agencies/professions to increase support for MSHA related issues.

<b>Organizational Strategies</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>End Date</b>
Research associations who have shared views to develop alliances (Telehealth, Medicaid, Dyslexia, ABA)	VP of Healthcare, VP of Schools, VP Audiology, and Legislative Chair	December 2016
Establish and maintain relationship with point of contact at each identified association (Start by Jan. 1, 2017).	VP of Healthcare, VP of Schools, VP Audiology, and Legislative Chair	Ongoing 2017, 2018
Create 1 coalition a year.	VP of Healthcare, VP of Schools, VP Audiology, and Legislative Chair	Ongoing by end of 2016, 2017, 2018

**Outcome:**

- Established relationships that lend to collaboration when advocacy issues across professions is impacted, requiring communication and joint initiatives.

**Indicators of Success:**

- A list of point of contacts

- Invitations to meetings/events
- Joint advocacy efforts