

## CSAP SPRING 2005 BRAGS

State	Licensure/ Lobbying/ Legislative Action/ Reimbursement
Mississippi	Dept of Ed agreed to recognize CCC as highest qualified provider.
Montana	Passed a new licensure bill to update standards. Signed by Governor on April 15,2005.
Idaho	Now have state licensure for SLPs and Audiologists! Grant from ASHA for personnel concerns to keep master degree as highest qualified provider.
Illinois	Licensed SLPs can now get the teacher certificate using their healthcare license.
Indiana	Governor signed licensure update law on 5-11-05 that updates standards, allows use of the healthcare license to obtain the teacher certificate and allows use of bachelor educated individuals as paraprofessionals. Also equates CCC with NBTPS. President-elect instrumental in lobbying efforts and use of vote-smart.com for member involvement.
Kansas	Productive legislative day.
Kentucky	Exploring salary supplement issue.
Missouri	Successful legislative day with 80 members attending.
Louisiana	Students participated successfully in legislative day.
Maine	Lobbyist was elected to legislature and serving on education committee.
Maryland	Bill signed by governor that allows SLPs and Audiologists to be eligible for the Christa McAuliff Scholarship Fund. Also bill introduced by MSTA (though' it died) that would permit reimbursement of licensure fees—SLPs were included.
Texas	Excellent legislative day turn out. Currently amendment to lower SLP qualifications in the schools; working toward a compromise. Chosen for ASHA focused initiative grant to address personnel shortages.
Tennessee	ASHA target for shortage of personnel.
Virginia	Obtained Governor Proclamation for BHSM.
Washington	Have a "user friendly" lobbyist
Wisconsin	Great lobbying effort on Governor proposals to decrease reimbursement rates in Medicaid; asked members to use cell phones during convention to make calls! Worked with OT/PT to challenge retrospective payment audits. Medicaid update: standards for school based providers equal to any other setting.
Wyoming	FIRST legislative day held and was a success with 8 people. Added on a bill to pay for dues of Audiologists and SLPs.
Arizona	State task forces with the DOE are looking at streamlining licensure and certification process and establishing guidelines for use of SLPAs. ASHA target for recruitment of staff and retention.

Arkansas	Bill signed to retain and recruit SLPs in public schools; also includes that CCC=NBTPS. Had signing ceremony with the Governor.
Colorado	Collaborative efforts have been established with the DOE; cosponsoring a three day institute.
Georgia	Successful GPAC which helped association become more visible; worked with PT/OT/GAA/Schools on legislative efforts.
New Jersey	Added FEES into scope of practice for SLPs.
New York	Legislature removed all of the Governor's cuts to Medicaid and early intervention.
Ohio	Licensure laws open to update Audiology standards. Trying to develop a PAC and increase grassroots advocacy.
Oregon	New SLPA licensure. Promising bills for tax credit for hearing aids. Healthcare services commission support.
Rhode Island	Have a lobbyist addressing salary supplement.
South Carolina	Now have a lobbyist and working on passing a bill that would recognize the CCC as the highest qualified provider in the schools for SLPs. 50 legislators attended their legislative day breakfast with approximately 35 SLPs.
<b>STATE</b>	<b>Convention/ Continuing Education</b>
Michigan	Net revenue of \$34,000 this year for professional convention.
Minnesota	Free on-line home study course for members. MSH Foundation sponsored speakers for parent information session at our spring convention that helped defray some convention costs.
Missouri	Made \$70,000 profit at annual convention.
Mississippi	Used students as moderators at convention which increased student membership. Also recognized outstanding students.
Montana	Participated in on line registration for convention.
Idaho	Tri-state conference with Utah and Wyoming was very successful.
Kansas	Scottish Rite to support a major speaker on literacy at annual convention.
Kentucky	16,000 attendees at convention. Raised \$112,000 profit.
Louisiana	Revenue for convention has increased; able to provide a 2 ½ day convention. Increased participation of audiologists at state convention.
Maine	Association sending 20 members to Wayne Secord conference in California.
South Dakota	250 attended annual conference which was a significant increase in attendance.
Tennessee	Volunteer students get free registration and reduced membership fees.
Virginia	Successful annual conference with a pre-conference with the International AAA Society. Paid students to work at convention (\$50/day).

Washington	Successful convention held after a year without a convention. Planning a joint convention with Oregon in 2006.
Wyoming	Shari Robertson, CSAP member, spoke and was helpful to the association.
Arizona	400 attended annual convention.
Arkansas	50 year anniversary celebrated at last convention.
California	Increase to \$20,000 in corporate sponsorships. Community service activities in conjunction with state convention included: 500 children's books donated to family shelters; 1000 toothbrushes donated to area shelters; 200 cell phones donated to area women's crises centers.
Colorado	Hosting a three day institute subsidized by the department of education.
Georgia	Steve White from ASHA was keynote speaker. Working with other states for reciprocity of member rates.
New Jersey	Celebrated 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary at convention and sold commemorative items. Also had a trivia contest.
New York	45 <sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration at convention and gave away mugs. Most audiologists ever in attendance at this year's convention.
Oregon	Looking forward to joint convention with Washington in 2006.
Ohio	Successful convention with over \$80,000 profit made.
Rhode Island	Scholarship fund is doing well. Now offering 15 to 17 CEUs. In addition to one day conference in the fall, tried a spring one day meeting as well. Registration was poor for spring but will try again. Schools committee hosted a therapy exchange program with members bringing a treatment idea to share with peers—successful.
District of Columbia	50% of members attended annual conference (great!). Also had six vendors which was a big improvement.
South Carolina	Conference held in February. 750 attended and netted 60,000 in profit.
<b>STATE</b>	<b>Public Information and Marketing/ New Programs</b>
Michigan	VP of Public Relations produced a new Better Hearing and Speech Month video using ASHA material.
North Carolina	Position statement developed on Nutrition and End of Life Issues
Texas	Eligibility for services criteria have been developed for the schools. Six templates have been created and training has been initiated.
Colorado	Holding outreach meetings focusing on community coordination and collaboration.
New Jersey	Contract with a PR firm. Have media kits and have been getting "bites".
South Carolina	For May is Better Speech and Hearing Month, members are reading at libraries and bookstores (Barnes and Noble) across the state.
Pennsylvania	Town hall meetings being held to hear member concerns.

Rhode Island	Working on a directory.
<b>STATE</b>	<b>Membership/ Recruitment/ Retention</b>
Missouri	Student membership increased to 111.
Mississippi	2/3 of ASHA members are association members.
Nebraska	2 for 1 program increased both professional and student memberships.
Louisiana	Increase in audiologist members now that we have an AuD program in state.
Oregon	Increased student membership.
Maine	Have a 66% membership rate (number of ASHA members who also belong to our association).
Washington	Overall increase in membership noted.
Wisconsin	Reported that 78% of licensed professionals are WSHA members.
Arizona	Membership of 500. Largest number ever!
California	Increased membership by over 300.
Colorado	Increased membership over 2% last month.
South Carolina	Now have 890 members which are the most ever.
Rhode Island	50% rate of membership.
<b>State</b>	<b>Student Issues</b>
Illinois	Starting a 501c3 Foundation for student scholarships.
Missouri	Now have a student member on the board.
Mississippi	Outstanding students are now recognized at convention and given free registration and free association membership.
Louisiana	Increased involvement of students attending board meetings. Students helped to design a brochure. Adopted students. Provided a "Gift to Graduate" free membership. Spoke at universities.
Tennessee	Invited NSSLHA presidents at state universities to be ex-officio officers on our board.
New Jersey	Several student initiatives: scholarships to convention; column in newsletter; pizza party in the presidential suite at convention, student representative on the board.
Pennsylvania	Have a student liaison that is very active. New award for NSSLHA chapter- \$500.
South Carolina	Students given free registration for convention; pizza; and, a student of the year award is given.

South Dakota	Now have AuD program in the state.
<b>State</b>	<b>Website/ Technology</b>
North Carolina	Saved \$2000 annually using online registration.
Illinois	Now working with a web designer.
Maine	Mentor page on website.
South Dakota	Improved website; now use an electronic ballot system.
Washington	Newly designed website.
Arizona	New website <a href="http://www.arsha.org">www.arsha.org</a>
Arkansas	Newsletter on line and now in COLOR!
Oregon	Dynamic website and new referral network.
Ohio	Newly designed website by a volunteer member.
<b>State</b>	<b>Volunteerism/Leadership/Association Management</b>
Minnesota	Successfully undergoing a financial reorganization.
Illinois	Strategic Planning to be completed in June.
Kansas	Held successful strategic planning retreat in March with Stan Dublinske from ASHA; vibrant central office working on purchasing association management software.
Kentucky	Strategic Planning scheduled for the fall 2005.
Wisconsin	Have a new president-elect after losing one! Also changed tax reporting status to 501c(6)—lot of work!
Wyoming	Have been rewriting by-laws and restructuring board.
Arizona	Have officers for every slot (vacant office).
Colorado	Board recognized importance of national participation (CSAP).
Georgia	Board provided budgets for all three leaders to attend CSAP; dynamic executive council!
New York	President for 2007 is an audiologist.
Oregon	Solvent, growing organization; excellent executive administration support.

Pennsylvania	Student efforts helpful in filling board vacancies. 3/7 incoming board members were former student members.
South Carolina	Made a strategic planning goal to raise 100% of a full year's operating expenses for reserves.
District of Columbia	Proud of Tommie L. Robinson, Jr, PhD, who had done so much for DCSHA over the years and is now ASHA's VP for Quality of Service in Speech-Language Pathology.