

CSAP SPRING 2005 MOANS

State	Licensure/ Lobbying/ Legislative Action/ Reimbursement
Michigan	No licensure for SLPs yet despite efforts; now stuck in committee. Paying for lobbyist from reserve savings account.
Montana	Salary supplement of \$3000 with recognition of equality of teacher certification with the CCC stalled in a house committee.
Nebraska	Ready to open licensure law to update legislative language; however, members are not on board with the proposal. Difficult to get SLPs in the schools to come together with SLPs in medical settings to achieve a common goal—specifically with dysphagia.
District of Columbia	Unfortunately, DC has no state licensure.
Arizona	Controversies in Early Identification program.
Arkansas	Though our bill passed to recognize the CCC as comparable to NBTPS certification, appropriations were not received. Also our association received a resignation from our STAR representative.
Colorado	Still no state licensure.
Kansas	Unsuccessful attempt to add KSHA amendment to hearing aid bill which would allow licensed audiologist to fit and dispense hearing instruments under a single license. Discord among our audiologist members.
Indiana	Restricted Test List from the Psychology board has been put on hold through December after unsuccessful attempts at positive change in the past legislative session.
Georgia	Reimbursement challenges with Medicaid and private carriers. Also, early intervention model changes.
Idaho	School SLPs are exempt from state licensure. Also movement from the school boards to lower standards for SLPs (dropped currently).
Louisiana	No appropriations for salary supplement.
Maine	Because our lobbyist was elected to the legislature, had to hire someone new and they cost twice as much!
Mississippi	Need to monitor what's going to happen to our supplement secondary to the state not having a budget.
Missouri	Poor communication between lobbyist and entire board.
Michigan	Still no licensure for SLPs (one bill in house and one bill in senate).
New York	Dept of health regulations are mandating the exclusive use of paraprofessionals for delivery of ABA services to EI children getting 10+ hours per week and all services to that child coming from one agency. And, all services are capitated.
Pennsylvania	PA medical association blocked our licensure bill suggesting it would "threaten the safety of PA citizens."

Ohio	Assistant issues back; licensure for speech assistants but qualifications no better than a secretary. May need to update. Medicaid billing for schools targeted to be cut; however, superintendent reported "stay of execution" until a new form for funding can be created. Governor is trying to consolidate boards.
Oregon	School funding and SLP shortage issues.
South Carolina	After the 2 nd reading of our bill in the senate, we had one senator raise an objection, which may delay the bill until next year. We are currently working on an alternative e pan which would amend a salary study bill.
STATE	Convention/ Continuing Education
Illinois	When ASHA convention is held in your state, your association suffers. In 2004, we had a loss of %50,000 in revenue. In 2005, participation still down about 300 persons.
Kentucky	Difficulty in recruiting volunteers when convention is held in Lexington.
Maryland	Decreasing convention and conference attendance. Have just sent out a survey to the membership and with greater than 30% return, the feedback focuses on a desire for ½ day and day long offerings with big name speakers.
Montana	Still no college program of any kind for training of SLPs and Audiologists.
Pennsylvania	Conference attendance down 50% due to ASHA convention in Philly in 2004.
STATE	Membership/ Recruitment/ Retention
Minnesota	Decrease in membership of 300-400 members.
Missouri	Decreased communication with lobbyist.
North Carolina	1100 of 3500 licensed members belong to our association (31%).
California	Of the 11,000 ASHA members in the state, only just over 5000 are members of our association (45%).
Colorado	Membership low (approximately 15% of ASHA members are CSHA members).
Kentucky	Getting more audiologist members in association.
Georgia	Membership numbers are dropping/ recruitment and retention of members.
Louisiana	Though 66% member rate of ASHA members who are association members, 0% are audiologists.
Minnesota	Need to increase membership. Numbers are still down from 5 years ago and we are losing audiologists.
Maine	Audiologists moving out of our state association.
Missouri	Decrease number of audiologists.
Wisconsin	Low percentage of SLP members relative to ASHA members in state.

Washington	Keeping audiologists active in the association. Also lack of educational audiologists in the state and little awareness that they are needed and mandated.
Oregon	Limited regional representation; low audiology participation.
State	Student Issues
Montana	No academic training program in the state.
North Carolina	Poor student membership and involvement.
New Jersey	Have 5 training programs in state but only one is active in our association. Also, AuD program in state is in jeopardy.
Oregon	No audiology program in the state.
State	Website/ Technology
Maryland	Tough to find an affordable server for website and one that provides tech support.
New Jersey	Have a forum/chat room but members are not using.
Rhode Island	Website is antiquated.
State	Volunteerism/Leadership/Association Management
Minnesota	Difficult time in recruiting leaders.
Missouri	New board members not getting along.
Mississippi	Volunteerism is down; association has no budget.
District of Columbia	We are so small that we are always looking for more volunteers.
Colorado	Very tight budget; no office space.
Indiana	Difficult to get folks to step forward into leadership roles.
Minnesota	Recruiting new leaders to support the executive council has become very difficult; budget issues are always challenging.
Mississippi	Volunteer pool is limited.
Missouri	Attracting new board members.
Michigan	Projected budget deficit of \$4000. This figure does not reflect fees for lobbyist working on obtaining state licensure. Monies for lobbyist come from savings account.
Pennsylvania	Had second year in a row in which the president-elect was unable to step up but recently found a new volunteer.
Rhode Island	Difficult to fill officer vacancies in such a small state.

Texas	How to motivate more volunteers among membership.
South Dakota	Lack of volunteers; only one person running for each position.
Wisconsin	Revising by-laws; work involved in creating a 501c6 organization change.
Virginia	No strategic plan in place but plan to work on this in the summer.
Wyoming	Challenges with finances and revenue.