## **Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center**



# Communication Disorders Department -Audiology Policy and Procedure

SUBJECT: ASSISTIVE LISTENING/DEVICES (ALD) Policy No.: 415

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#### **PURPOSE**

To specify the procedures used to loan out an Assistive Listening Device (ALD).

### **POLICY**

An ALD may be loaned to another member of the Communication Disorders Department (i.e., speechlanguage pathologist) to be used with a patient of any age in therapy sessions should that patient demonstrate a need for the device.

Assistive listening system/device selection is conducted according to the Fundamental Components of Preferred Practice Patterns

#### **PROCEDURES**

- 1. The ALD will be loaned out to a Communication Disorders Department staff member or patient for use with a patient according to the following criteria:
  - a. The patient demonstrates need as indicated by a basic comprehensive or pediatric audiologic assessment (see Communication Disorders Department Policies- Basic Audiologic Assessment, Pediatric Audiologic Assessment and Comprehensive Audiologic Assessment) and/or speech-language evaluation.
  - b. The staff member is trained by the audiologist on the care, use, and operation of the instrument.

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#### Source:

Preferred Practice Patterns for the Professions of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, ASHA. ASHA.org Preferred Practice Patterns, Audiology

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