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Dan Logsdon

Director

National Center for Interstate Compacts

Council of State Governments

1776 Avenue of the States

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Dear Mr. Logsdon,

The Academy of Doctors of Audiology would like to offer our endorsement for the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP-IC).

The Academy of Doctors of Audiology (ADA) represents the interests of private practice audiologists nationwide through our mission of advancing practitioner excellence, high ethical standards, professional autonomy, and sound business practices in the provision of quality audiologic care. ADA has long been a leader in the field of audiology when it comes to advocating for our patients and access to the most efficient and effective care.

Our members in private practice often serve communities encompassing multiple states, and as a result must maintain licensure across all of those jurisdictions in order to treat those patients. Furthermore, as audiology expands into telehealth our members will have the opportunity to work remotely with patients, further expanding access to care for patient population that often neglects to seek care due to stigma and inconvenience.

ADA is excited to help advocate for this compact and thank the National Center for Interstate Compacts for their leadership on this issue.

Sincerely,

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