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Dan Logsdon

Director

National Center for Interstate Compacts

Council of State Governments

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Dear Mr. Logsdon,

On behalf of the Georgia Academy of Audiology (GAA), I am writing to express our support for the Audiology and Speech – Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP-IC). GAA is the state- level association for audiologists representing over 100 members in our association and over 600 professionals in our state.

Interstate licensure compacts are game changers for professionals that want to reduce barriers for practitioners. Like compacts that already exist for nurses, physical therapists, physicians, psychologists and EMTs, ASLP-IC will enhance licensure portability while simultaneously improving the ability of state boards to protect consumers and establish an updated baseline to the continuity of care.

We understand the ASLP-IC will benefit current and future patients, members, and other professionals by:

- Increasing access to care for patients, clients, and/or students
- Facilitating continuity of care when patients, providers, and/ or students relocate or travel to another state
- Allowing military personnel and spouses to more easily maintain their profession when relocating

GAA is excited to support this opportunity for the greater good of our current patients and future patients as well as allow for an easier avenue of patient care for our current and future members of our association. We look forward to supporting the ASLP- IC in the great state of Georgia.

Sincerely,

Christa Reeves

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