



December 8, 2021

Dan Logsdon, Director
National Center of Interstate Compacts
The Council of State Governments
1776 Ave of the States
Lexington, KY 40511

Re: Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact Commission

Dear Mr. Logsdon,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we write to inform you of our collective agreement to offer startup financial support to the Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact Commission (ASLP-ICC), the joint governmental entity that is solely authorized by the member states to implement and administer the ASLP-IC.

Pending a reasonable budget, we are prepared to help support the startup costs of the ASLP-ICC. Based on the attached model budget that the Council of State Governments (CSG) provided, we anticipate the likelihood of the following proportional organizational commitments. We assume the budget prepared by CSG at the request of the undersigned organizations is illustrative of the likely budget that the ASLP-ICC would require in its startup phase of operations.

- ASHA is willing to support one-half of the ASLP-ICC's total cost on behalf of the profession of speech-language pathology. This accounts for \$393,768 over three years in the model budget.
- ASHA, AAA and ADA are willing to support the other half of the costs on behalf of the profession of audiology in a proportional cost sharing model based on the number of audiology affiliates for each organization.

Organization	# of Audiology Affiliates	% of the Total # of Audiology Affiliates	Potential Total Proportionate Contribution	Potential Annual Proportionate Contribution
ASHA	14,500	58%	\$228,386	\$76, 129
AAA	9000	36%	\$141,756	\$47,252
ADA	1500	6%	\$23,626	\$7,875
Totals	25,000	100%	\$393,768	\$131,256

ASHA is committed to this funding model for an initial period of three years and possibly longer if needed. AAA and ADA are committed to one year of funding and future funding will be contingent on progress the commission makes in developing a plan for financial self-sufficiency.

As a matter of disclosure and public record, ASHA has engaged in contracts with CSG in furtherance of the ASLP-IC that are considered independent of and supplemental to the financial commitment direct to the commission, as delineated above. The contracts between ASHA and CSG include the following terms:

- July 2017 – March 2021: \$376,433

To pursue the development of an interstate compact by convening an advisory group, drafting group and conducting stakeholder review of model language. Provide legislative summit toolkit and website. Engage in comprehensive legislative strategy and provide legal and technical services to secure introduction and enactment of the new interstate compact in the states and territories. This contract resulted in the establishment of the ASLP-IC with 15 member states.

- April 2021 – March 2026: \$573,147

To continue a comprehensive legislative strategy and provide legal and technical services to secure introduction and enactment of the new interstate compact in the states and territories. Assist with activities around the ASLP-ICC meetings including development of commission bylaws, committee structure and membership, budget and finance formulas, for commission approval, and additional education in the states, etc.

We understand the ASLP-ICC and/or their Secretariat will need to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between each organization individually. Contacts at each organization are as follows:

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We look forward to working with you to bring the ASLP-IC to successful fruition.

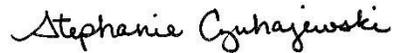
Sincerely,



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