

Canadian Assessment of Clinical Competence (ACC) – Speech-Language Pathology

1. Role of Communicator

Speech-language pathologists facilitate the therapeutic relationship and exchanges that occur before, during, and after each encounter. The competencies of this role are essential for establishing rapport and trust, sharing information, developing a mutual understanding and facilitating a shared plan of client-centred care.

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ROLE OF COMMUNICATOR <i>Rating Expectation at FINAL Assessment</i>	Advanced Novice	Advanced Novice	Advanced Intermediate	Advanced Intermediate	Entry-to- Practice

1.a. Communicates respectfully and effectively using appropriate modalities.

- Uses language appropriate to the client and context, taking into account all aspects of diversity (e.g., age, culture, gender identification, linguistic abilities, education level, cognitive abilities, emotional state).
- Demonstrates active listening skills.
- Relates comfortably and in a socially appropriate manner with others.
- Adapts communication in response to verbal and nonverbal cues from communication partners.
- Communicates in all professional contexts in a positive, clear, concise and grammatically acceptable manner.
- Communicates in a respectful manner, demonstrating empathy and openness.
- Employs environmental and communication strategies to minimize barriers to successful communication, including the use of appropriate modes of communication (e.g., oral, non-verbal, written, sign, electronic) and by using translators/interpreters, as required.
- Participates respectfully in challenging conversations.
- Effectively receives and provides feedback (e.g., clinical educators, peers, clients, team members).

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1.b. Completes documentation thoroughly and accurately, in a timely manner.

- Accurately documents informed consent, services provided and outcomes.
- Ensures reports clearly integrate results, client input, analysis, recommendations, goals and outcomes, in a manner understandable to the target audience(s).
- Documents in all professional contexts in a clear, concise, organized and grammatically acceptable manner.
- Completes and disseminates documentation in a timely manner.
- Complies with regulatory, legislative and facility requirements related to documentation.

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2. Role of Collaborator

Speech-language pathologists seek out and develop opportunities to work effectively with other professionals, the client and their family, caregiver, significant others and/or the community to achieve optimal client-centred care, as well as continuity of care when clients change providers and/or caregivers.

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ROLE OF COLLABORATOR <i>Rating Expectation at FINAL Assessment</i>	Advanced Novice	Advanced Novice	Advanced Intermediate	Advanced Intermediate	Entry-to-Practice

2.a. Establishes and maintains effective team collaborations to optimize client outcomes.

- Interacts effectively and positively with all team members, including clinical educator.
- Communicates own professional roles, responsibilities and scope of practice in collaborative interactions.
- Recognizes and respects the roles and perspectives of other professionals.
- Participates actively and respectfully in shared responsibilities and decision-making.
- Manages misunderstandings, limitations and conflicts to enhance collaborative practice.
- Facilitates transfer of care within and across professions.

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2.b. Demonstrates client-centred practice.

- Engages and supports the client in identifying concerns, priorities, values, beliefs, assumptions, expectations and desires in order to inform assessment and intervention.
- Demonstrates respect for the client's rights, dignity, uniqueness and equal opportunity.
- Considers the client's personal, social, educational and vocational contexts.
- Promotes and supports the client's (or substitute decision maker's) participation in decision-making.

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3. Role of Professional

Speech-language pathologists are guided by a code of ethics, professional standards, regulatory requirements and a commitment to clinical competence in the service they provide to their clients.

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ROLE OF PROFESSIONAL <i>Rating Expectation at FINAL Assessment</i>	Intermediate	Intermediate	Entry-to-Practice	Entry-to-Practice	Entry-to-Practice

3.a. Maintains professional demeanour in all clinical interactions and settings.

- Maintains confidentiality (e.g., follows consent procedures to share information with other parties).
- Demonstrates professionalism in managing conflict.
- Maintains personal and professional boundaries in relationships with clients, colleagues and other professionals.
- Displays a positive, professional image (e.g., follows dress code).
- Demonstrates professionalism in all communications, including those involving electronic platforms.
- Demonstrates responsible, reliable behaviour and accountability for actions and decisions.
- Recognizes and responds appropriately to the inherent power differential in the relationship between the client and the student-clinician.

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3.b. Practices ethically.

- Adheres to professional code of ethics, as defined within the jurisdiction.
- Obtains informed consent.
- Recognizes and uses critical judgment to respond to ethical issues encountered in practice.
- Recognizes and uses critical judgment to respond to actual or perceived conflicts of interest.
- Demonstrates honesty and integrity and acts in the best interests of the client.
- Identifies and mitigates own biases, as they relate to the care of a client.

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3.c. Adheres to professional standards and regulatory requirements.

- Stays informed of and complies with professional standards and regulatory and legislative requirements within one’s jurisdiction.
- Practices within the profession’s scope of practice and own personal capabilities.
- Adheres to site and university standards and requirements.

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