

## **American Board of Audiology® Streamlines Application Process for Board Certification**

### *State Licensure is now Primary Requirement for Eligibility*

Orlando, FL ([PRWEB](#)) March 27, 2014 -- The American Board of Audiology® ([ABA](#)) [announced](#) today that as a result of recent updates to state licensure laws, it has streamlined eligibility requirements for its Board Certified in Audiology® credential to reduce the administrative burden on candidates.

Beginning immediately, audiologists pursuing Board Certification obtained through the ABA will no longer be required to provide results from taking the Praxis exam in audiology. Holding a valid license to practice audiology presupposes a passing score on the exam.

The ABA Board of Governors voted for the change in a meeting yesterday at AudiologyNOW! 2014 in Orlando, according to Dr. Mindy K. Brudereck, AuD, chair of the ABA Board of Governors.

“State licensure already is the standard to practice, so obtaining licensure is the proof of an audiologist’s competency to practice. Necessitating additional documentation is burdensome for our applicants, particularly given recent updates to state licensure laws,” said Dr. Brudereck. “We hope this streamlining of eligibility requirements makes it easier for audiologists to pursue Board Certification, which is held by the best of the best in our field.”

The ABA offers three voluntary certifications to the profession: Board Certified in Audiology®, Pediatric Audiology Specialty Certification (PASC®), and Cochlear Implant Specialty Certification (CISC®).

To apply for Board Certification obtained through the ABA or a specialty certification, visit [www.boardofaudiology.org](http://www.boardofaudiology.org).

### About the American Board of Audiology® (ABA)

An autonomous organization, the American Board of Audiology® (ABA) is dedicated to enhancing audiological services to the public by promulgating universally recognized standards in professional practice. The ABA encourages audiologists to exceed these prescribed standards, thereby promoting a high level of professional development and ethical practice. To help meet that goal, the ABA administers the Board Certified in Audiology credential, the Pediatric Audiology Specialty Certification (PASC®), and the Cochlear Implant Specialty Certification (CISC®), all of which are voluntary certification programs.



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