

The ArSHA Quarterly[★]

Enhancing Communication & Quality of Life for the Individuals We Serve

SUMMER RETREAT 2026

Together, Off the Clock

In July, ArSHA leadership gathered at Midwestern University for the Annual Retreat to reflect, recharge, and plan for the year ahead. It was a meaningful time of connection, collaboration, and renewed energy for our mission: "Empowering and Connecting Arizona's speech, language, and audiology professionals through leadership, advocacy & education to ethically serve all Individuals with communication and related needs."

RETREAT HIGHLIGHTS

Updated mission & vision statements
Strategic planning & goal setting
Collaborate, Communicate, & Connect (CCC)



UPCOMING EVENTS

FALL CONFERENCE



October 24, 2026 Flagstaff, AZ

Join us at Northern Arizona University for a full day of learning, networking, and professional development featuring sessions on current topics across SLP and audiology!

ANNUAL CONVENTION



April 8-10, 2027 Mesa, AZ

Join us for an exciting opportunity to learn from experts, connect with fellow professionals and students, and celebrate the SLP, SLPA and audiology community!

Submit to Present!



Convention Call for Papers
Deadlines:

Professional: October 23rd

Students: November 30th

CELEBRATING OUR MEMBERS

Members Make the Difference!



Jeff Meeks

Jeff Meeks was recently featured in The ASHA Leader for his work addressing SLP shortages in rural communities through innovative "grow-your-own" recruitment models.



Thomas Muller

Congratulations to Thomas Muller, recognized by ASHA for Special Contributions in Higher Education-celebrating his meaningful contributions to the profession and higher education.



Carolyn Abraham

Congratulations to Carolyn Abraham who recently represented the profession on the national stage with her presentation at the American Head and Neck Society.



Mae Ling Chan

Connecting bilingual SLPs with US speakers of Asian languages needing SLP services through the launch of www.asianbilingualtherapy.com

Welcome to the Board, New Members!

2028 Convention Co-Chair Elects:

Kristina Millhouse and Megan Alexander

Medical Committee Co-Chair: Alisha Kleindel

Membership Chair: Angelina Serrano

Recording Secretary Co-Chair: Melissa Hurst

Schools Committee Co-Chairs: Kristina Burnham & Janani Webb

AAC Co-Chair: Rui Hernandez and Samantha Hagness

SLPA Chair: Rachel Brown

Mentorship Co-Chair: Alice Williams

ADVOCACY IN ACTION —

ArSHA + ArizOTA

ArSHA is proud to partner with the Arizona Occupational Therapy Association (ArizOTA) to advocate for policies that support our professions and the communities we serve. Together, we're amplifying our legislative voice to advance access and equity.

PRACTICE UPDATE —

92507 Billing Code Changes

ArSHA's connecting with major insurance companies to determine plans for implementation for new billing code changes and easing the transition for Arizona SLPs. "92507: Don't be Spooked" instead join the Round Table discussion October 21st at 5:30pm <https://www.arsha.org/roundtables/>

UPCOMING WEBINARS

AI Has Changed. Have You? The Next Era of AI for SLPs (LIVE Webinar)

11/5 6-8PM
Mai Ling Chan, MS, CCC-SLP, PMP

Pediatric Telepractice Readiness: Ethics, Access and Clinical Foundations

10/5-11/5
Julie Stockdale, MSc, CCC-SLP, R.SLP

OTHER NEWS

NEW Membership Year!

ArSHA's membership year changed from Oct 1 - Sept. 31 to January 1 to December 31st.

RENEW NOW for an extra 3 months of membership! Benefits include Free Webinars, Discounts on Fall Conference & Annual Convention and Endless Opportunities to Serve, Network, and Impact Others through Leadership, Advocacy & Education. www.arsha.org/join-arsha

Connect with Leadership

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