

Speech and Hearing BC Policy Statement & Procedures

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AREA: Governance

SUBJECT: Conference

POLICY:

Speech and Hearing BC supports an annual Continuing Education (CE) event for Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists, in the form of an in-person conference, or by electronic media, such as videoconference facilities. In the event that another organization is planning a continuing education activity of interest to its members, Speech and Hearing BC may choose to collaborate with the other organization in a given year, to minimize duplication and maximize member accessibility to CE opportunities.

The Conference Committee is chaired by the Conference Committee Chair. The Conference Committee should also include the Treasurer, and Area Representative for the Area in which the conference is being held in a given year. To improve accessibility to in-person conferences to members across the province, requests to hold a conference in any centre with facilities that are adequate to accommodate the event should be considered. Conference Committees will be fiscally responsible. Registration fees shall be affordable to members.

PROCEDURE:

- The Conference Committee will be presented with a budget for the annual conference once approved by Provincial Council.
- All Conference contracts will be signed by the Speech and Hearing BC Office.
- Requests from members to hold the annual CE event in a specific geographical region will be forwarded to the Conference Chair, and a determination as to the feasibility of the request will be completed by the Conference Committee.
- A feasibility study and history of conference locations will be provided to PC, which will determine the location for an upcoming annual conference.