

CLINICAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY IDEAS FOR INTERNSHIP & EXTERNSHIP STUDENTS

Students completing their internship and externship practicum placements are expected to participate in all aspects of clinical practice with their clinical educators, including identification and assessment, intervention and treatment, interviewing and counselling, team meetings and rounds, interprofessional activities and consultation, parent/caregiver coaching and workshops, report writing, record keeping, materials development, session planning, and so forth.

On occasion, clinical educators may be out of the office during the internship or externship practicum placements due to illness, vacation, professional development, or for some other reason. In these instances, students may participate in the following clinical or professional activities during their clinical educator's absence:

- Provision of service delivery to clients on the student's or clinical educator's caseload, under the supervision of another on-site Speech-Language Pathologist (please note: the student MUST be supervised by another S-LP if he/she is to see clients in the clinical educator's absence)
- Participation in clinical activities with another Speech-Language Pathologist
- Participation in clinical activities with an Audiologist
- Treatment and/or assessment planning for upcoming clients
- Report writing
- Development of therapy materials for clients and their families/caregivers
- Development or revision of workshops/presentations for clients, caregivers/families, or other professionals (e.g., workshop on dysphagia care for nursing staff, workshop on communicating with clients with aphasia for caregivers/families, literacy suggestions for classroom teachers, articulation or language workshops for parents of preschool aged children, etc.)
- Development of materials/presentations that promote awareness of the profession and communication disorders
- Administrative tasks
- Research on a topic or area of interest
- Completion of another project (at the discretion of the clinical educator)



PLEASE NOTE: This list is not exhaustive; clinical educators may have internship and externship students participate in other clinical or professional activities (with appropriate supervision arranged for client direct activities).