

# Consent for Language Sample Collection, Analysis, and Use and Request for Expedient Communication

## Introduction

People who rely on AAC indicate that the two most important things to them are:

- 1) being able to say exactly what they want to say, and
- 2) being able to say it as fast as possible.

Communication that honors these and other values is most readily achieved through the collection and analysis of language samples.

The ASHA (American Speech-Language-Hearing Association) Scope of Practice for Speech-Language Pathologists (SLPs) is the very definition of the profession in the United States. It includes the expectation that all SLPs collect data, measure outcomes, and provide services in accordance with the principles of evidence-based practice. Language sample collection is the very foundation of compliance with these expected professional practices.

\_\_\_\_\_ provides services in compliance with ASHA standards. Therefore, language samples are collected and analyzed as a normal component of service delivery. This is done using audio recording, video recording, and/or data recording. Recorded language samples may be analyzed here or sent to others for analysis, either by physical or electronic means. They will be stored, conveyed, and otherwise treated with confidence. If you are willing to have either the language samples or their analyses anonymously shared with others for educational or promotional or research purposes, that may be done.

Due to the potential for claims of invasion of privacy, we ask that you read and sign this consent form.

## Consent

I have read and understand the above information on language sample collection and analysis.

I agree to the recording, transmission, and storage of language samples using: (check those for which permission is granted)

- Audio recording
- Video recording
- Data recording
- Direct transcription

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I agree that these samples will have all personal identification removed and may be used for:  
(check those for which use permission is granted)

- Clinical service delivery
- Educational purposes (papers, presentations, etc.)
- Promotional purposes (advertising, catalog, etc.)
- Research purposes (analysis by other researchers, etc.)
- AAC Performance Report Library (for use by AAC consumers, clinicians, researchers, etc.).

**OR**

I prefer not to have language samples collected and analyzed and acknowledge that this may result in compromised communication performance.

**Request**

It is important to me that services be provided in a timely manner. Therefore, I request that the most expeditious forms of communication and service delivery be used and hereby consent to the use of those forms (email, Internet, telephone, voicemail, video-telephone, tele-rehabilitation methods, fax, postal mail, courier, and others) for communication of all information, including protected health information.

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(print name / signature) (Parent or Guardian if under age 18 years)                      \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

- \* Name \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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- \* Telephone \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Email \_\_\_\_\_

(\* These items will be maintained in confidence and not be part of any disseminated data.)

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