



CF/RPE FLOW CHART FOR CREDENTIALING, CERTIFICATION, LICENSURE

CREDENTIALS FOR SCHOOLS (CTC)

Early in your graduate program, ask your advisor if you qualify for a Preliminary S/L Pathology Services Credential upon program completion. If YES, follow this column. If NO, consider applying for a Clear Speech Language Services Credential after you have received your license and CCCs.

One month before graduation check with your school's credentialing specialist on the process to begin the preliminary credential application.

Complete your first year of work as an SLP.

When you receive your license, update your credential through the CTC to a Clear Speech Language Services Credential. www.ctc.ca.gov

Your credential will be mailed to you. There are no continuing education requirements to maintain this credential. The CTC does not send renewal notices. Make a note to renew your credential every 5 years. If it lapses, the credentialing requirements may change.



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CERTIFICATION (ASHA)

Complete the ASHA application after you graduate (and once you have a job and CF Mentor). New in 2019: this can be done online! www.asha.org

Contact your graduate program and request completion of page 4 of your ASHA Certification application.

Submit application, transcripts, and fee to ASHA. www.asha.org

Meet with your CF Mentor.

Complete your CF year. Make sure that your supervisor completes the CF Evaluation at each 3rd of your CF Year. (every 3 months)

Submit your completed segment documents to ASHA. www.asha.org

Congratulations! Your Certificate of Clinical Competence will be mailed to you. Begin tracking CEUs.



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CA LICENSURE (SLPAB)

Contact your grad school to send your verification forms to the SLPAB.

Submit your application for temporary license once you have a job and an RPE Mentor. www.speechandhearing.ca.gov

Meet with your RPE mentor after verifying their license at www.speechandhearing.ca.gov

Complete your RPE year.

Apply for your permanent license.

Congratulations! Your California Speech License will be mailed to you. Begin tracking CEUs.

Once licensed, you are now eligible for a speech language services clear credential in California through the CTC. Consider applying immediately upon completion of your license to maximize your employment options.



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Credential - Typically required to work in a CA school, and is reciprocal in many states.

ASHA Certification - National certification as a speech pathologist, and can be recognized in other countries.

License - Required for all non-school sites in California. Can be reciprocal to other states.

It is strongly recommended that clinicians new to the field obtain and maintain all three to maximize future employment options.