

Help MSHA to better represent you by volunteering for a committee of your choice. Not all committees meet on a regular basis and most meetings are held virtually. Our standing committees conduct almost all the business of MSHA.

- **SLP Healthcare:** Monitors issues affecting provision of services in medical speech-language pathology and audiology. Coordinates the Medical Speech-Language Pathology Forum held at the MSHA Annual Conference. Reviews nominations and selects recipients for the MSHA Clinical Service Award. Maintains contacts with reimbursement agencies including Medicaid, Medicare, and Blue Cross.
- **Continuing Professional Development:** Provides opportunities for updating professional skills and obtaining CEUs through MSHA sponsored programs. Works closely with the Professional Development and Education Committee.
- **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:** The MSHA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee is dedicated to developing, promoting, and utilizing responsive and transformative practices and policies with explicit inclusion of historically excluded and marginalized individuals in the process of becoming a more diverse, inclusive, and equitable organization.
- **Ethics:** Serves as a resource to MSHA membership on questions or concerns of professional ethics.
- **Finance:** Develops annual budget and serves as MSHA Treasurer.
- **Advocacy:** Follows legislative activity affecting members. Monitors bills and/or proposed rules that impact upon our profession. Active in planning and participation of MSHA legislative activities.
- **Membership:** Promotes membership in MSHA; encourages increased communication between MSHA and regional associations and special interest groups.
- **Private Practice:** Monitors issues affecting professionals working in a private practice setting.
- **Professional Development and Education:** Plans and coordinates annual conference; assures quality conference sessions; assumes specific responsibilities and contributes to overall program planning.
- **SLP Public Schools:** Monitors issues affecting provision of services in schools and encourages excellence in programming. Activities include Program of the Year recognition; ongoing liaison with Michigan's Office of Special Education Services, and SEAC (Special Education Advisory Committee)
- **Public Relations:** Promotes May as Better Hearing and Speech month and creates increased awareness of professional services via social media. Works closely with the Communication and Networking Committee.
- **Student Affairs:** Helps plan conference sessions of special interest to student members; responds to issues and concerns relevant to students.