

PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Obtained \$80,000 in donor funding to establish clinic payment alternative for patients unable to afford speech-language pathology services (2021, 2022, 2023)
- 2023 Student Mentor Award, College of Health Solutions
- 2021 Nominated for Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award, College of Health Solutions
- Advocate for expanded healthcare coverage via changes to state law through involvement with Arizona Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ArSHA) Government Affairs Committee (Arizona Senate Bill 1016).
- Expanded Interprofessional Education and Practice within SHS and CHS via community connections and collaborations such as Mayo Clinic Laryngology
- Since 2008, accomplished clinical educator at the university level (ASU, East Carolina University) with high job performance and teaching evaluations across every year of employment.
- Advanced practice skills in speech-language pathology (SLP): professional voice; total laryngectomy; oral, head and neck cancer; trachs/vents, videolaryngostroboscopy (VLS), fiberoptic endoscopic examination of swallowing (FEES), videofluoroscopic swallowing studies (VFSS)
- Successful adult-focused SLP in outpatient and acute care settings, serving individuals with varied disorder types: dysphagia, dysarthria, apraxia of speech, dysphonia, fluency disorders, aphasia, and cognition
- Established the first FEES program within Banner Health Arizona
- Co-initiated Arizona chapter of SPOHNC (Support for People with Oral, Head and Neck Cancer) with a cancer survivor – the first chapter in the state

RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Arizona State University (ASU)
Clinical Associate Professor
Speech and Hearing Science

2020-Present
2008-2017

- Teaching and Clinic activities:
 - SHS 579: Voice and Resonance Disorders (Summer 2022-Present).
 - SHS 539: Professional Issues in Speech-Language Pathology (Fall 2021-Present)
 - SHS 538: Clinical Methods in Voice and Resonance (Summer 2021)
 - SHS 575: Aphasia and Acquired Neurogenic Disorders (Spring 2021; 2022)
 - SHS 485: Aphasia and Acquired Neurogenic Disorders (ASU Online; Fall 2020)
 - SHS 580: Clinical Practicum (all semesters) – Tempe SHS Clinic and Valley ENT

- SHS 484: Internship (PRN)
- SHS 539: Professional Issues (guest lecturer – Regulations for practicing as an SLP)
- Provide off-site student training in videolaryngostroboscopy (VLS) at Valley ENT, Baseline location (2008-Present)
- Program development:
 - ASU SHS graduate student liaison with Mayo Clinic Interprofessional Grand Rounds in laryngology.
 - Developing interprofessional low-cost or pro bono community clinic with emphasis on services for under-/uninsured individuals, particularly those with oral, head, and neck cancer: in process.
 - Developing relationships and clinical experiences at Mirabella at ASU, retirement residences: in process
 - Developing relationships and clinical experiences/programming with Consonus Healthcare: in process
 - Developed curriculum and syllabus for SHS 579 Voice and Resonance Disorders
 - Developed curriculum and syllabus for SHS 538 Clinical Methods in Voice and Resonance (Summer 2020)
- Service
 - IPE/IPCP Affinity Network
 - Simulation Affinity Network (2021-present)
 - CHS Faculty Peer Mentoring Committee (2021-Present; Subcommittee Chair 2022-Present)
 - CHS Peer Mentor (2022-Present)
 - CHS Peer Mentee (2021-Present)
 - Affinity Network Advisory Committee Co-Chair (2022-present)
 - Arizona Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ArSHA) Executive Board Member – Communications Chair (2020-2022)
 - ArSHA Governmental Affairs Committee Member (2020-present)
 - ArSHA Medical SLP Committee Member (2017-present)
 - ArSHA Communications Committee Member (2020-2022)
 - ArSHA Professional Student Mentor (2020-present)
 - SHS Awards committee (2020-present)
 - SHS Strategic planning (2020-2022)

**East Carolina University
College of Allied Health Sciences
Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
Adjunct Faculty Instructor**

**Fall semester 2019;
option for 2020**

- Instructor of Record: CSDI 6104 Seminar in Voice Disorders, Sections 601 & 602
- Blackboard LMS, online format for on-campus and distance learners

**Banner Gateway Medical Center
Banner MD Anderson Cancer Center
Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP)**

August 2017-July 2020

- Initiated the voice program at Banner Gateway/Banner MD Anderson; now a regional voice center
- Developed evaluative procedures and protocols that represent best practices while staying fiscally viable
- Identified and rectified billing errors, resulting in reduction of lost revenue
- Recruited other top talent in voice and voice-related disorders
- Developing cognitive program for cancer-related cognitive impairment (colloquially referred to as “chemo brain”)
- Mentor and train other providers in the evaluation and management of voice and voice-related disorders
- Participate in interprofessional tumor board to optimize patient outcomes
- Provide advanced practice skills in the assessment and management of dysphagia, voice and voice-related disorders in professional voice users and survivors of oral, head and neck cancer including total laryngectomy and TEP voice prosthesis management
- Deliver assessment and management services for low-incidence disorders including Paradoxical Vocal Fold Movement (PVFM; aka Vocal Cord Dysfunction (VCD)) and treatment refractive “habit” cough
- Demonstrate appropriate use of acoustic equipment (SonaSpeech II, VisiPitch) for the clinical assessment of voice for objective pre- and post-therapy measures.
- Conduct instrumental examination of swallowing and voice function, including videolaryngostroboscopy (VLS), Fiberoptic Endoscopic Examination of Swallowing (FEES), and Videofluoroscopic Swallow Studies (VFSS)
- Provide speech-language pathology services in both the inpatient acute and outpatient settings with experience across the range of disorders that fall within SLP scope of practice: dysarthria, apraxia of speech, aphasia, dysphagia, voice, and cognitive disorders

**Valley ENT, Baseline Location
Speech-Language Pathologist**

2008-Present

- Perform and interpret videolaryngostroboscopy (VLS) on contract basis with documentation, procedure coding and diagnosis coding as applicable
- Participate in professional collaboration with Leopold Yin, MD, otolaryngology (fellowship trained in professional voice)
- Mentor community SLPs in interpretation of VLS

**Arizona State University (ASU)
College of Health Solutions/Speech and Hearing Science
Adjunct Faculty**

2017-2020

- Mentor SLP graduate student clinicians in the advanced practice skill of videolaryngostroboscopy (VLS) at the Valley ENT Baseline location (Mesa, AZ), the office of Leopold Yin, MD, otolaryngology
- Provide online training and resources for students preparing to attend the Valley ENT rotation
- Develop online course content for SHS Clinical Methods pertinent to voice and voice-related disorders
- Guest lectures as invited

Arizona State University (ASU)

2008-2017

Clinical Associate Professor

- Responsible for teaching graduate level curriculum in swallowing, feeding and voice disorders across the lifespan; medical aspects; clinical methods; and professional issues
- Responsible for training and supervising students in the assessment and treatment of cognitive and communicative disorders; including aphasia, cognitive deficits, dysarthria, apraxia of speech, dysphagia, fluency disorders, voice and voice disorders
- Awarded \$60,000 grant for SHS to develop Post-Graduate Feeding Certificate Program
- Applied new skills in online course development: video recording, batching, and editing; development of interactive online modules; recruitment and management of subject matter experts; development and application of interview methods; coordination of schedules and work effort between PI, project coordinator, videographer, instructional designer and subject matter experts; fiduciary management of grant funds with assistance from department chair
- Participated in department committees including continuing education committee and public relations committee
- Developed and supervised independent study experiences for graduate students interested in increasing their knowledge and skills in dysphagia and pediatric feeding disorders
- Textbook reviewer for JB Learning and Plural Publishing
- Guest lecturer and developer of online/recorded course content in appropriate classes, including Introduction to Communication Disorders, Differential Diagnosis, Professional Issues, Clinical Methods, and Treatment Plan Implementation for SLPAs
- Responsible for providing off-site clinical supervision and training in videolaryngostroboscopy
- Participated in off-campus speech and hearing screenings; providing graduate student supervision
- Initiated and developed department Facebook page for social outreach, marketing

Banner Desert Medical Center (BDMC)

1998-2008

Clinical Speech-Language Pathologist

- Initiated and developed the Voice & Swallowing Clinic at BDMC

- Awarded \$36,000 grant to purchase equipment and initiate FEES program at BDMC, including development of policies and procedures
- Trained in FEES and laryngovideostroboscopy (VLS)
- Responsible for training Banner SLPs in FEES examination
- Experienced in areas of acute, subacute and outpatient, with PICU/NICU involvement
- Developed specialized skills in voice and swallowing disorders, including subspecialties of head and neck cancer and Vocal Cord Dysfunction/Paradoxical Vocal Fold Movement
- Established speech pathology presence on the laryngectomy clinical pathway in collaboration with other stakeholders
- Provided speech pathology evaluation and intervention in the following areas: dysphonia, dysphagia, laryngectomy/head & neck cancer, aphasia, cognitive deficits and TBI, tracheostomized and ventilated population, dysarthria, apraxia of speech
- Contributed national coding, reimbursement and productivity data to appropriate managers
- Mentored graduate student interns
- Mentored clinical fellows in speech-language pathology
- Provided skills competency as needed to Banner Home Health SLP staff

Drs. Charles Orozco & Mark Baldree

2005-2007

Speech-Language Pathologist

- Performed videolaryngostroboscopy (VLS) and FEES on contract basis
- Presented information regarding appropriate use of modifiers with target billing codes to allow for complete reimbursement for services rendered
- Established procedural protocols and documentation templates

Arizona State University

Spring Semester 2005

Instructor

- Instructed graduate students in 3-credit graduate level voice disorders course, Spring semester
- Developed course curriculum in accordance with university standards and those established by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA).

Arizona State University

Spring Semester 2004

Guest lecturer

- Provided instruction on laryngectomy and head & neck cancer evaluation and intervention as they pertain to speech-language pathology

ASU SHS COURSE TEACHING

SHS 579: Voice & Resonance Disorders

SHS 539: Professional Issues for the SLP

SHS 575: Aphasia and Acquired Neurogenic Communication Disorders
SHS 485: Aphasia/Acquired Neurogenic Communication Disorders
SHS 484: SLPA Certificate
SHS 574: Voice & Swallowing Disorders
SHS 512: Medical Aspects for the Speech-Language Pathologist
SHS 592: Research
SHS 580: Clinical Practicum in Speech-Language Pathology
SHS 584: Clinical Methods in Speech-Language Pathology
SHS 584: Professional Issues in Speech-Language Pathology
SHS 579: Swallowing Disorders across the Lifespan
SHS 574: Management of Low Incidence Speech Disorders
SHS 105: Introduction to Human Communication Disorders, guest lecturer
SHS 473: Implementation of Treatment Plans for Individuals with Communication Disorders, guest lecturer
SHS 572: Implementation of Treatment Plans for Individuals with Communication Disorders, guest lecturer

RESEARCH, PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING (BY YEAR)

Stats-Caldwell, D. (2018, October). *Glottic Cancer: The Basics of Assessment and Management*. Session presented at the Annual Convention of the Arizona Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Phoenix, AZ.

Stats-Caldwell, D., Lindsay, K., & Van Vuren, K. (2017, November). *Pediatric Feeding Disorders: What Do Parents Say?* Poster session, Annual convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Los Angeles, CA. [Kate Helms-Tillery as proxy for Denise Stats-Caldwell]

Beate, P., Vose, C., Stats-Caldwell, D., & Ingram D. (2017, November). *Two Rare Cases of Extremely Delayed Speech and Language Development: Comparisons against Typical Trajectories*. Poster session, Annual convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Los Angeles, CA.

Vose, C., Stats-Caldwell, D., & Peter, B. (2016). *Effects of RRP on pediatric Speech-Language Development: A Case Study*. Poster session presented at the 3rd Annual Southwest Laryngology Conference, Scottsdale, AZ.

Utianski, R. & Stats-Caldwell, D. (2013, April). *Facilitating a Seamless and Successful Transition from M.S. to CCC-SLP*. Session presented at the Annual Convention of the Arizona Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Phoenix, AZ.

Roth, K., Stats-Caldwell, D. & Ingram, K. (2012, November). *Graduate Student Perceptions of Peer Review Benefits in Clinical Documentation*. Poster session presented at the Annual Convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Atlanta, GA.

Stats-Caldwell, D., Boardman-Mathews, R., Hammerich, L., & Rak, A. (2011, November). *Effects of Lingual-Strengthening on Treatment Refractory Oropharyngeal Dysphagia*. Poster session presented at the Annual convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, San Diego, CA.

EDUCATION

Master of Arts, Speech-Language Pathology, 1998
Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA

Bachelor of Arts, Speech Pathology & Audiology, 1996
Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS, ACTIVITIES AND COMMITTEES

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) 1998-present
Certificate of Clinical Competence: 09140963

- Special Interest Division 13: Swallowing & Swallowing Disorders
- Special Interest Division 3: Voice & Voice Disorders

Arizona Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ArSHA) 2018-Present

- Association Member, current
- Executive Board Member, Communications Committee Chair
 - 2020-2022
 - Remain on board as member, 2022-present
- Medical SLP Committee Member, 2018-present
- Governmental Affairs Committee Member, 2022-present

Arizona Department of Health Services Present
Arizona State Speech Pathology Regular License 1091

Working group for legislative change, ARS 36-2907 2020-present
Interprofessional group seeking to change AZ legislative code that currently prevents adults on state insurance (AHCCCS) from receiving speech-language pathology services irrespective of diagnosis or documented need. This has now been absorbed by the ArSHA Governmental Affairs Committee

Feeding Matters (formerly P.O.P.S.I.C.L.E.) 2009-2017
Non-profit advocacy group for parents and medical providers serving the population of infants and children struggling to eat

- Past Member, Medical Council
- Past Member, Professional Advisory Committee
- Past Member, Education Committee

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SimuCase Development – Case 47, Dysphagia/Dysarthria

2016

Jones and Bartlett Learning

Peer Reviewer

2014

Steward, C.F., Kling, I.F., & Allen, E.L. (2016). *Voice Rehabilitation: Testing Hypotheses and Reframing Therapy*. Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett Learning.

Plural Publishing

Peer Reviewer

2017

Hall, N.E. (2019). *Clinical Observation in Communication Sciences and Disorders*. San Diego, CA: Plural Publishing.

SID 3: Voice & Voice Disorders

- Regional Captain, Education Committee

2008-2011

SPOHNC

Support for People with Oral, Head & Neck Cancer

- Initiated the first chapter of this organization in the state of Arizona
- Recruited and designated new co-facilitator following establishment of the Mesa Chapter

2004-2005