

## **Speech-Language Pathology**

The assessment, evaluation, counseling, habilitation or rehabilitation, of a Covered Individual/Family Member who has, or is suspected of having, a disorder of speech, voice, language, oral pharyngeal function, or speech-language related cognitive processes by a professional licensed in Speech-Language Pathology.

Speech-Language Pathology:

- Must be delivered consistent with professional standards of practice
- Requires face-to-face contact with the Covered Individual/Family Member to conduct assessments or provide therapy
- Is typically delivered in the Practitioner's office
- Addresses identified individual needs as determined by assessment by a Licensed Speech Pathologist and in conjunction with the Child and Family Team
- Is provided as a 1:1 service
- Does not include transportation of an individual, travel time, or time waiting to provide services.
- Does not include supervision of services or tasks outside the scope of professional licensure
- Cannot exceed more than two consecutive hours per billable event, unless pre-authorized by the Care Coordinator.

Unit of Service: 15 minutes

Credentialing Requirement: Licensed as a Speech-Language Pathologist **or** licensed as an Intern in Speech-Language Pathology **or** Licensed as an Assistant in Speech-Language Pathology by the Texas State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.