SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Professional background includes more than twenty (20) years successful experience as a Speech Language Pathologist in Acute Care, Transitional Care, Inpatient Rehabilitation, Outpatient and Outreach Services in addition to Day Rehabilitation Programs and Home Health settings. Clinical educator at EWU for graduate level students.
- ♦ Experience supported by strong diagnostic skills in dysphagia, cognitive communication and, speech and language relating to a variety of patient populations. SPEAK OUT! Certification completed July 2013.
- Consistent demonstration of high standards and a strong sense of responsibility to diagnose and plan effective management/treatment as well as educate family and facility staff for best outcomes. Detail oriented with effective analytical skills.
- Successful evidence based practice to provide best quality of care within constraints of insurers while meeting needs of the patient/family

AREAS OF EXPERIENCE

Adult Populations
Neurogenic Disorders
Brain Injury / CVA
Renal
Head & Neck Cancer
Pulmonary
Cardiac

Dysphagia Management
Acute to Long Term Care
Modified Barium Swallow Studies
Cognitive Communication Disorders
Speech & Language Disorders
Group Treatment
Program Development

Home Health

Education/Training SPEAK OUT!

EDUCATION (GRADUATED FROM BOTH PROGRAMS WITH HONORS)

- M.S. Eastern Washington University, Cheney, Washington. Masters of Science in Communication Disorders.
- B.A. Eastern Washington University, Cheney, Washington. Bachelor of Arts Degree in Speech Pathology and Audiology.

Continuing Professional Development dedicated to continuing education as demonstrated by attendance at workshops and conferences at local, state and national levels.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- **Providence Visiting Nurse Association, Spokane, WA (2014 present)** Part-Time Home Health SLP position serving adult patients through evaluation & treatment of dysphagia, speech/language, & cognitive-communication disorders related to extensive and varied medical diagnosis.
- Eastern Washington University, Spokane, WA (2006 present) Clinical Educator for Communication Disorders graduate program. Mentor graduate students in academic study and clinical application of 'evidence based practice' evaluation and treatment for swallowing, speech, language, and cog-communication disorders in adults; training in diagnostic report and daily note documentation; inservicing of staff. Participation in community education and screenings.
- St. Luke's Rehabilitation Institute, Spokane, WA (2006 present) On-call and regular weekend rotation position serving local acute care settings (Sacred Heart Medical Center, Holy Family Hospital) to provide evaluation and treatment of dysphagia, speech/language, and cognitive-communication disorders to adult population with extensive and varied medical diagnoses.
- St. Luke's Rehabilitation Institute, Spokane, WA (1994 2006) Evaluation and treatment / planning, with multidisciplinary staff, of speech, language, cognitive-communication and dysphagia services for teens and adults in acute care (area hospitals -- SHMC, DMC & VHMC) inpatient rehabilitation, outpatient and day rehabilitation with goal of providing best quality care within budgeted allowances. Developed relationships with physicians, neuropsychologists, and case managers to increase patient referral and care base. Frequent student and staff mentoring and oversight.

Northwest Hospital, Seattle, WA (1989 - 1994); Sacred Heart Medical Center, Spokane, WA (1987-1989)