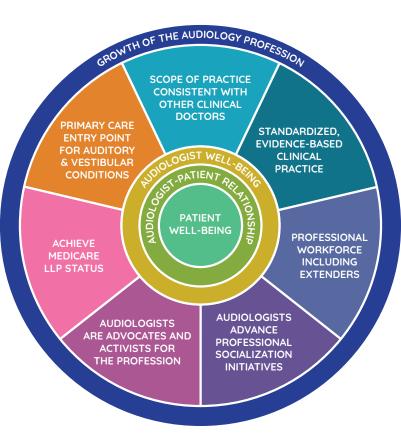
AUDIOLOGY 2050





SCOPE OF PRACTICE CONSISTENT WITH OTHER CLINICAL DOCTORS

- Strip the term "non-medical" out of state audiology practice laws
- Ensure that state audiology practice laws include evaluate, diagnose, manage, and treat auditory and vestibular conditions, which accurately represents the scope of practice for audiology
- Expand and intensify education and training in pharmacology, imaging, and other areas of clinical focus to ensure provider readiness
- Audiologists practice at the top of scope of practice and across the continuum of care (including prevention)

STANDARDIZED, EVIDENCE-BASED CLINICAL PRACTICE

- There are Up-to-date Standards of Care and Clinical Guidelines for Audiology
- ADA Audiology Practice Accreditation is the norm

PROFESSIONAL WORKFORCE INCLUDING EXTENDERS

- · Develop new staffing and service delivery models that improve efficiency and patient outcomes
- Develop new educational models that develop and incorporate qualified extenders into audiology practice
- · Create an undergraduate degree that qualifies dispensers in a medical audiology model
- Design and implement interdisciplinary care models in private practice settings
- Incorporate innovative channels for audiology service delivery (telehealth, mobile audiology etc.)

AUDIOLOGISTS ADVANCE PROFESSIONAL SOCIALIZATION INITIATIVES

- University curriculum values and encourages private practice
- CAA/ACAE standards encourage students to participate organizational membership and advocacy for the profession
- Preceptors require universities to meet standards of practice and professionalism as a condition of taking students

AUDIOLOGISTS ARE ADVOCATES AND ACTIVISTS FOR THE PROFESSION

- · Audiologists are invested members of their state and national associations
- Audiologists give time talent and resources to advocate for the profession

ACHIEVE MEDICARE LLP STATUS

- Move toward unbundled and hybrid service pricing
- Audiologists held to the same standards for ethics and compliance as other LLP providers and clinical doctoring professionals
- · Eliminate reliance on profit from devices as a mechanism for profitability/sustainability
- Exceptional students compete for entrance into audiology training programs

PRIMARY CARE ENTRY POINT FOR AUDITORY & VESTIBULAR CONDITIONS

- Audiologists have knowledge of "whole body"
- · Case history that reflects point-of-entry provider
- · Public perception of audiology is as the point-of-entry provider for hearing and balance
- Employ/supervise/collaborate with allied health and physicians as part of a multidisciplinary/interprofessional team
- Increase the number of independent private audiology practices
- Audiologists meet patients where they are in their hearing journey (including encouraging self-care such as OTC, when appropriate)