

Audiology License vs. Hearing Aid Dispenser

For an Audiologist to practice and dispense hearing aids in New York State they must hold an audiology license and be registered as a hearing aid dispenser. The audiology license permits the bearer to practice the profession of audiology and is granted by the Office of the Professions within the New York State Education Department. Registration as a hearing aid dispenser is obtained from the Division of Licensing Services within the New York Department of State. First-time applicants must follow the specific procedures outlined by each granting body. Once obtained, audiology licensure re-registration occurs every 3 years and the hearing aid dispensing re-registration occurs every 2 years. Conditions for re-registration, including continuing education requirements and fees, are outlined by each granting body, whose websites are listed on this page.

Audiology Registration Certification:

<http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/slpa/speechlic.htm>

Hearing Aid Dispensing License:

<http://www.dos.ny.gov/licensing/hearingaid/hearingaid.html>