

HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT 56 OF 1974

REGULATIONS DEFINING THE SCOPE OF THE PROFESSION OF SPEECH AND HEARING AND HEARING CORRECTIONIST

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In terms of [section 33](#) (1) of the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions Act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), the Minister of National Health and Population Development, on the recommendation of the South African Medical and Dental Council, has made the regulations set out in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE

1. In this schedule "**the Act**" means the Medical, Dental and Supplementary Health Service Professions act, 1974 (Act 56 of 1974), and any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act bears that meaning.
2. The following acts are hereby specified as acts which, for the purpose of the act, shall be deemed to be acts pertaining to the profession of speech and hearing correctionist:
 - (1) Screening of speech and/or hearing and/or language disorders of children in primary schools, in pre-school classes attached to primary schools and in schools for the deaf and hard-of-hearing with a view to identifying, establishing and assessing possible specific communication disorders of such children, as follows:
 - (a) In the field of audiometry -

by means of screening tests, namely pure tone testing and impedance audiometry;
 - (b) in the field of speech and language disorders -

by means of screening tests for articulation disorders, including cleft palate, language disorders, stuttering and voice disorders.
 - (2) The detailed assessment of speech, language and hearing disorders.
 - (3) The treatment of communication disorders established in accordance with regulation 2 (1) by therapeutic means, class placement of children with disorders in co-operation with teachers and other professional persons, parent counselling, teacher counselling and specific home programmes.