DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
Providing high quality therapy and training the clinicians of the future

ABOUT US
The Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology provides the highest quality educational, research and clinical services to students and the community. Our department is home to 20 faculty and staff members who are devoted teachers, active practitioners and leaders in their field.

With a Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American Speech-Language Hearing Association*, faculty offer clinical training to 50 graduate students, preparing them for careers as Speech-Language Pathologists.

OUR MISSION
Our mission is twofold. First, we provide high-quality services to Reno/Sparks and surrounding communities. In our six fully-equipped diagnostic rooms, we evaluate children and adults who may have difficulty communicating, producing sounds, achieving academically, swallowing, and maintaining a functional voice. Therapy is provided in 19 observation-capable therapy rooms.

Second, to train both undergraduate and graduate student clinicians in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology courses for professional practice. Most services are provided by the student clinicians who are supervised by certified Speech-Language Pathologists and Audioligists.

If you or someone you know could benefit from a cleft, autism, aphasia, hearing, speech (articulation), language, fluency, voice, swallowing or hearing evaluation, call us to make an appointment. With the exception of the Cleft Palate Clinic and University Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment, this is a fee-for-service clinic.

As a courtesy to clients, insurance benefits will be verified by our billing department. In most cases, a faxed referral from your primary physician is required. Call today to schedule an appointment.

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**Clinics, Centers and Services**

**Hearing and Balance Services**
Our clinic offers assessment of hearing and balance disorders for patients of all ages. Our remodeled audiology testing facility features state-of-the-art equipment and offers:
- Hearing evaluations
- Balance evaluations
- Auditory processing disorder evaluations
- Cochlear implant and evaluations
- Mapping services
- OSHA hearing screenings
- Custom hearing protection
- Hearing aid services
- Wax removal/management

We also host cochlear implant support groups as well as community aural rehabilitation classes.

**Northern Nevada Cleft Palate Clinic**
The Northern Nevada Cleft Palate Clinic is a multi-specialty health care team that treats children and adults with cleft lip and palate and other craniofacial disorders.

Our volunteer team meets monthly and includes medical specialists in plastic surgery, speech pathology, orthodontia, pediatric dentistry, oral-maxillary surgery, otolaryngology, audiology, genetics, and pediatrics.

Our goal is to provide services to patients without the need to make multiple appointments with individual professionals. We evaluate 150 children per year at no cost to the patient.

**Northern Nevada Voice and Swallowing Clinic**
Our clinic offers evaluation and treatment of voice and swallowing disorders. Services include:
- Direct vocal tract visualization by endoscopy/stroboscopy/FEES
- Laryngeal function studies
- Evaluation for voice prosthetics
- Pediatric feeding assessment
- Behavioral voice therapy
- Lee Silverman Voice Treatment
- Breathing exercises

**Direct/indirect swallow interventions for children and adults**

**University Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment (UCAN)**
UCAN provides a free, extensive, transdisciplinary assessment and differential diagnostic services for children suspected of having autism spectrum disorder and other related neurodevelopmental disabilities. The team is composed of professionals from a wide array of disciplines including child psychiatry, clinical psychology, school psychology, occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, and developmental pediatrics.

The UCAN team offers a comprehensive battery of testing. Every family is provided individualized care, including case management, designed to access vital community services and treatment.

**Not Alone Aphasia Communication Group**
The Not Alone Aphasia Communication group is open to all people with aphasia and their support team. The group meets twice a month in a safe and supportive environment where members can practice communication skills. We offer a teleconference option for our friends with aphasia who live in rural Nevada and who are unable to physically attend the group meeting.

The group applies the Life Participation Approach to Aphasia (LPAA) that supports those with aphasia in achieving their goals. The goal of this group is to empower those with aphasia to re-engage with their lives and community and to be the leaders of their own language recovery.

**Language and Literacy Development Center**
Our Center is dedicated to the evaluation of school-age (k-12) children who are struggling with language, reading, and/or writing. Our services are offered during the fall, spring, and summer semesters. We diagnose language and literacy disorders through our comprehensive battery of testing.

Our comprehensive reading tests are based on the findings from the National Reading Panel’s (2000) five pillars of reading. We are proud to offer testing in the following areas to determine your child’s strengths and weaknesses for succeeding in school:
- Oral Language
- Reading
- Writing
- Vision screening
- Hearing screening

We offer empirically supported interventions that are tailored to your child for individual therapy. We are happy to collaborate with parents for activities in the home.

**Transgender Voice and Communication Clinic**
The Transgender Voice and Communication Clinic serves the Reno/Sparks and surrounding community Transgender (FtM and MtF) population. The clinic provides assessments and individualized treatment programs to all ages for the purpose of modifying voice and communication skills to better match gender identity. The Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology and its clinics are a Safe Zone. Clinicians and supervisors are LGBTQIA friendly.

Summer 2014 was our pilot program for this clinic. The clinic and its services are in development and will continue to expand to address the needs of the community.

*The Master’s Degree education program in Speech-Language Pathology at the University of Nevada, Reno is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 2290 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850, 1-800-498-2071 or 301-296-5700.*