KENNETH C. PUGH GOV. MSG. NO. 625

AUDIOLOGIST

Diagnostic Assessment • Management • Teaching-Scholarship-Service • Statistical Modeling and Analysis

Hearing Aid Fitting • Electronic Health Records and Informatics • Disability Evaluation • HIPAA/NPI Provider

Current Licensure and Certification • Basic Life Support (CPR and AED) Certification

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, John A. Burns School of Medicine, Honolulu, Hawai'i Adjunct Associate Professor, Communication Sciences and Disorders (01/2022 – Present) Teach graduate students in classrooms and laboratories on clinical applications of audiology, research methods, licensure standards, and aural rehabilitation within the scope of speech-language pathology.

The Queen's Medical Center-West O'ahu, Ewa Beach, Hawai'i
Audiologist, Ear-Nose-Throat Outpatient Clinical Service Center (07/2020 – Present)

Lead audiology resource in equipment acquisition and forecasting clinical trends for new specialty clinic. Provide diagnostic evaluation for auditory problems and research relating to hearing and attendant disorders. Counsel patients regarding test results and review options that best meet hearing care needs. Work with a highly diverse patient population from all age groups and socio-economic backgrounds.

Island Audiology, LLC, Honolulu, Hawai'i Consulting Audiologist (01/2020 – Present)

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Provide Veteran assessment protocols via Disability Benefits Questionnaire (DBQ) to provide nexus opinion on hearing loss and tinnitus. Experience with QTC Medical Group, Veterans Evaluation Services (VES/VBA), Big Six/Five hearing aid manufacturers, and assistive listening devices. Counsel patients regarding test results, and review options that best meet hearing care needs.

Infinite Computer Solutions / VFCN LLC, Pearl City, Hawai'i
Compensation and Pension (C&P) Examiner for Audiology (09/2019 – 12/2019)

Investigated the reliability of hearing status in accordance with Veterans Administration Evaluation (P.L. 104-275) guidelines. Worked in lead role: applied advanced principles of diagnostic audiology and hearing science and compile data to evaluate medical disability; utilized the DBQ as a guide during the examination to gather clinical information from Veteran; provided nexus opinion on hearing loss and tinnitus. Maintained HIPAA confidentiality and upload assessment results to the US Department of Defense Portal for efficient process, workflows, and outcomes.

US Department of Health and Human Services, Pago Pago, American Samoa **Contracted Audiologist, Zika Hearing Program** (09/2017 – 09/2019)

Led diagnostic and intervention services to children for a federal early intervention program to minimize the effects of hearing impairment caused by the Zika virus. Counsel families and facilitate educational or multidisciplinary case management. Provide screening and diagnostic data for the Share, Integrate, Link American Samoa (SILAS) information system under a CDC cooperative agreement. Use equipment, including otoscopes, curettes, Maico screeners for tympanometry and otoacoustic emissions. Utilize BioLogic Navigator Pro to obtain non-sedated auditory brainstem responses.

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University of Texas at Dallas, School of Brain and Behavioral Sciences, Richardson, Texas Clinical Associate Professor, Callier Center for Communication Disorders (06/2010 – 12/2018)

Clinical, Academic, and Directorship duties. Evaluated audiology patients to diagnose and treat or rule out hearing and communication disorders. Provided hearing aid fittings and hearing assistive technology for children and adults. Supervised staff, coached audiology doctoral students, externs, and paraprofessionals. Taught doctoral students in classrooms and laboratories while providing diagnostics, Cochlear BAHA and Oticon Ponto soft band systems, tinnitus and hyperacusis expertise. Utilized Noah4 platform and accompanying software to program, fit, and provide Real-Ear verification of hearing aids from all manufacturers. Conducted hearing aid programming and fitting training sessions.

Kaiser Permanente, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Clinical and Dispensing Audiologist, Surgery, Otolaryngology & New Business Ventures (06/2003-05/2010)

Selected, administered, and interpreted audiologic diagnostic test results obtained from children and adults in a fast-paced Ear-Nose-Throat clinic. Conducted hearing aid fittings and served as the clinic lead for cochlear implant evaluations, neural response telemetry, initial sound activation and implant mapping.

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, John A. Burns School of Medicine, Honolulu, Hawai'i Assistant Professor, Communication Sciences and Disorders (01/2000 – 05/2009)

EDUCATION

The University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida Doctor of Philosophy, Audiology, minor in Health & Hospital Administration (12/1999) Awarded the Board of Regents Graduate Fellowship

Clinical Externship

Veterans Affairs Medical Center, ENT and Audiology Service, Denver, Colorado (08/1991 – 05/1992)

Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado Master of Science, Communication Disorders and Audiology (05/1992) Bachelor of Science, Communication Disorders (05/1989)

CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association – Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology (CCC-A) 01087234; Current, Valid, and in Good Standing (Expiration Date: 12/2023) Original Licensure Date: 08/1995

State of Hawai'i - Audiology License

AUD-88; Current, Valid, and in Good Standing (Expiration Date: 12/2023)

Original Licensure Date: 03/2000

American Heart Association – Certificate in Basic Life Support (CPR and AED) (09/2019 – Present)