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## **RE: Project to Benchmark the Language Demands of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology in Canada**

To whom it may concern,

The Centre for Canadian Language Benchmarks (CCLB) has been retained by the Canadian Alliance of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Regulators (CAASPR) to benchmark the English and French language demands of audiology and speech-language pathology using the Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB) and the Niveaux de compétence linguistique canadiens (NCLC).

This project will provide a detailed analysis of the speaking, listening, reading and writing tasks used by audiologists and speech-language pathologists working in a variety of settings across the country.

**CCLB is seeking your cooperation to help facilitate approximately one half-day of job shadowing observations and interviews in your workplace.** Our aim is to observe practitioners carrying out a range of activities, so that a wide array of language tasks can be documented. Each practitioner will be observed for up to three consecutive hours. The consultants will also conduct a 30-minute interview with each participating audiologist or speech-language pathologist on site in order to gather initial information and to answer any questions.

The consultants will also gather samples of reading and writing used in the workplace. No documents containing client-specific information will be collected.

### **Confidentiality**

CCLB consultants will treat all data as confidential. Participants will be identified by a code rather than by name. No names or other identifying information will appear in the project report other than site names and locations.

CCLB will completely respect client confidentiality. The observations themselves will not require any direct interaction or contact with clients. CCLB will prepare letters explaining the project to clients, and letters of consent for the clients (as necessary).

Please indicate your willingness to be part of this important project, or to ask for further information, by responding to me before **July 24, 2013**.

Sincerely,

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