

University of Arizona
Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences

**Group Sessions
Client/Patient Confidentiality Policy**

All medical, clinical, and personal information of clients/patients is confidential. This applies to clients/patients seen in clinics in the department on campus and at Wings on Words Preschool (WOW). Confidentiality of client/patient information is mandated by federal law and is the policy of the University of Arizona and the Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences. Severe sanctions exist for individuals and institutions that violate the privacy and confidentiality of client/patient information.

Client/patient information is confidential and must not be repeated or released to anyone except the speech and hearing clinic personnel. The importance of client/patient confidentiality has been explained to me in detail. I am also aware that as a participant in a group session, I will be privy to personal health information of other individuals. I will only be exposed to minimum necessary personal health information and will not have access to any patient files while involved in a group setting in the Speech-Language and Hearing Clinics.

I have been informed of the HIPAA standards for privacy of individual identifiable health information. I agree to comply with the rules for protecting confidentiality of other group members by not discussing their personal health information outside of the clinical setting.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

Witness _____ Date _____

Fall 2013 _____ Spring 2014 _____ Summer 2014 _____