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## **CASLPA Re-accredits Site**

**Ottawa, ON** – On April 24, 2009, the Canadian Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists (CASLPA) awarded a five-year re-accreditation to Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Centres (NSHSC) under the Canadian Accreditation of Service Program (CASP).

CASP promotes excellence in the delivery of speech-language pathology and audiology services through adherence to national standards and a voluntary process of self-assessment and peer review. The CASP accreditation, a quality assurance/quality management program, is a means to recognize excellence in service.

Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Centres was established in 1963 as a program funded by the Nova Scotia Department of Health. Our professionals work to enhance the quality of life of Nova Scotians with communication disorders at more than 30 Centres located across the province. NSHSC is the healthcare agency responsible for providing hearing services to Nova Scotians of all ages and speech-language services to preschool children and adults. **Visit [www.nshsc.ns.ca](http://www.nshsc.ns.ca) for more information.**

“Accreditation, widely recognized within the public and private sectors, provides the perfect opportunity to demonstrate to our clients, colleagues and stakeholders that we are a program that promotes excellence in the delivery of speech-language pathology and audiology services,” said Lynn Fraser, Chief Executive Officer of NSHSC. “We are very proud of our CASP accreditation.”

The Canadian Association of Speech-Language Pathologist and Audiologists is the national voice of 5,400 professionals. A not-for-profit association, CASLPA supports the professional needs of its members, champions the interests of those who require speech, language, and hearing services and promotes awareness of how speech-language pathologists and audiologists contribute to the well being of Canadians living with communication disorders. **Visit us at [www.caslpa.ca](http://www.caslpa.ca)**

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