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PROCEDURES AND POLICIES FOR CLIENTS

Since we are a training clinic, undergraduate students may be observing you/your family member's therapy. Observers are limited to 2 student observers per pediatric client and 3 student observers per adult client. If you are uncomfortable being observed or having your family members observed, please inform the clinic supervisor or clinic director.

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association requires that a minimum of 25% of student therapy sessions be supervised by a certified Speech-Language Pathologist or Audiologist. At the University of Florida, we typically observe a minimum of 50-75% of our supervisees' sessions. The purpose of this observation is to facilitate clinical teaching as part of the students' professional development. If you have any questions pertaining to events during the therapy or diagnostic session, feel free to ask the supervisor. Informal dialogue, however, is discouraged for the following reasons.

1. Our lack of soundproofing may distract others observing a case.
2. Supervisors need to give their full attention to the client and clinician in order to provide direction for future sessions through the clinical teaching process.

Children are not to play in the hall or materials room. There are puzzles, legos, and books in the waiting room for use while waiting. Noise should be kept to a minimum.

Supervisors will be recording sessions periodically. The recordings will be used in clinic teaching. You will be asked to provide written permission before recording of any kind is completed.

Please see Dr. Wingate or Ms. Mobley in the main office if you have any questions.