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## SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY AND HEARING AID DISPENSERS BOARD ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SACRAMENTO—The Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers Board (Board) has named Cherise Burns as its executive officer, effective February 24, 2025. Ms. Burns has served as interim executive officer for the Board since November 2024 and assistant executive officer since January 2020.

Ms. Burns has served California in various roles for over eleven years. She was a manager for the Board of Psychology from 2016 to 2020. She worked at the California Department of Public Health as an associate governmental program analyst from 2013 to 2016. Prior to state service, Ms. Burns worked for the California School Boards Association as a legislative specialist in the Governmental Relations Office from 2009 to 2013, and as an assistant consultant for the Masters in Governance Program from 2004 to 2009.

Ms. Burns has a master's degree in public policy and administration from California State University, Sacramento and a bachelor's degree in politics from Saint Mary's College of California.

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**ABOUT THE BOARD:** The Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers Board protects the people of California by promoting standards and enforcing the laws and regulations that ensure the qualifications and competence of providers of speech-language pathology, audiology and hearing aid dispensing services. Learn more at www.speechandhearing.ca.gov.