# Nichole F. Carubia, MA, CCC-SLP

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#### **EDUCATION**

MA, Speech & Language Pathology Western Washington University, 2006

BA, Communication Sciences & Disorders Western Washington University, 2004

AA, General Studies Seattle Central Community College, 2000

Continuing coursework in instructional practices and assistive technology

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Certificate of Clinical Competency, American Speech-Language Hearing Association, 2007-Current National Board Certified Teacher, November 2014-Current

WA State ESA Certificate 2006-current

WA State Department of Health Licensed 2007-current

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

# 2006-current Title: Speech-Language Pathologist/Assistive Technology Specialist

Mount Vernon School District, 920 South Second Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Provide specially designed instruction to students with communication disorders aged 3-21

Member of IEP and Evaluation teams

Provide professional development on assistive technology to SLPs, OTs, PTs, Special Ed, & Gen Ed teachers Consult and collaborate with IEP teams district-wide, including parents, regarding AT and specific student needs Liaison between special education, IT department, and district administration

Research, test, review, and recommend new assistive technology products

Provide technical support and problem solving solutions for high-tech AT devices

## 2006-2011 Title: Speech-Language Pathologist

St. Joseph Hospital, 809 E. Chestnut St., Bellingham, WA 98225

Provide speech-language pathology services in acute care, sub-acute care, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation clinics in the areas of voice disorders, adult language disorders, cognitive rehabilitation, and dysphagia.

# OTHER PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

**Co-founder and facilitator of Northwest Washington Assistive Technology Interest Group** (NW-WATIG, a member-driven group open to any providers or professionals interested in AT)

**Owner, Nichole Carubia Speech-Language Pathology, LLC** (private practice specializing in AAC solutions for adults in the workplace)

Member, Washington Assistive Technology Providers' Network (ATPN, a cross-discipline network of AT providers in WA State working to improve the continuum of services for individuals across the lifespan)

## STATEMENT OF INTENT

My professional goal is to constantly expand and improve my ability to provide specific, customized assistive technology solutions for individuals and their support teams, with the intent to maximize the functional capabilities of all people. To this end, I work closely with individuals of all ages, their parents, teachers, coaches, and other support staff to educate and build awareness regarding the process of identifying specific individual needs and available tools to help meet those needs. In order to increase the ability of my community to support individuals with special needs in the area of assistive technology, I work to develop relationships, understanding, enthusiasm, and capacity at the institutional level.