

**Which states have licensure that includes intra-operative monitoring as part of audiologists scope of practice?**

STATE	YES	NO	COMMENTS
1. AR		√	Although a few Arkansas audiologists have performed this task, it is not included in our scope of practice. I will see what we can do to change that. Grover Hutson
2. AZ		√	AZ state licensure states if it is in the scope of practice it is in the scope of the license. The state looks to the scope as indicated by ASHA and AAA. AZ does not specify procedures that should be included/excluded. It all revolves around scope. Good luck, Steven Huart
3. IA		√	Iowa does not include intra-operative monitoring on our scope of practice here. Our law hasn't been updated in many years and that's on the list of things that we need to get accomplished. Dr. Ken Lowder
4. MA		√	I cannot find in our licensure law or description of scope of practice that intra-operative monitoring is part of audiologists' scope of practice in Massachusetts. That being said, there is no exclusion, and I am aware of at least one audiologist in the state who regularly performs intra-operative monitoring.  Sorry I can't offer more specific information. Brian  ----- Brian J. Fligor, ScD, CCC-A
5. ME	√		In Maine intraoperative monitoring is within our scope of practice. I will attach the chapter of the regulatory rules where it addresses scope of practice. It is specifically listed as within our scope of practice. Carolyn Gaiero, Au.D. Belfast, ME <a href="#">Chapter 5 Scope of practice MAINE.doc</a>
6. MI		√	Michigan does not specifically identify inter-operative monitoring in the scope of practice it allows for identification, assessment and monitoring the auditory system. Karen Jacobs
7. MN		√	In Minnesota we don't specifically address intra-operative monitoring – but we do have a something that says that audiologists provide "measurement, assessment, and interpretation of auditory and vestibular function."

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			Julie Perreault, Au.D
8. ND	√		North Dakota does not specifically state intra-operative monitoring in its laws but it is recognized that IOM is in an audiologist's scope of practice.
9. NH		√	As far as I'm aware, it's not mentioned in NH statutes. Laura Robertson
10. NJ	√		NJ allows this as part of their scope of practice BUT it does not allow for us to do vertebral artery screening prior to giving a Dix-Hallpike. Dr. Gran Brady  I am sure that NJ does, as Hackensack Medical Ctr. does a lot of that- all run by the Audiology Dept. Also, a Dr. Danto does that exclusively. I am sure that you could contact him or Dr. MaryRose McInerney at HMC. Valerie Kriney, Au.D.
11. OH		√	Ohio's law does not include intra-operative monitoring. This has always caused problems, as it is difficult for professionals to obtain liability insurance for this service. It is not specifically stated in our licensure law. Erin L. Miller, Au.D.  OHIO - No Connie Szymczak M.A., CCC-A, F-AAA
12. OK		√	I am sorry to say that Oklahoma does not include intra-operative monitoring as part of our scope. Michael A. Grim, Ph.D., CCC/A  Oklahoma does not specifically refer to intra operative monitoring-- however, scope of practice is written so this may be accepted.  We have at least one audiologist who does intra-operative monitoring-- don't know who reimburses him--hospital or direct pay Susan Boyle
13. PA		√	Currently, Pennsylvania's licensure does not list I/O monitoring within scope of practice. We are in process of having a new licensure bill introduced. We do not list specific procedures in our scope of practice but simply state the following:  "Practice of Audiology." The practice of audiology means prevention, identification, assessment, diagnosis, counseling, management and treatment of persons with known, or suspected

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			<p>auditory and/or vestibular impairments. A person is deemed to be or hold himself out as being an audiologist if he offers such services to the public under any title incorporating the words audiology, audiologist, audiological consultant, vestibular audiologist, aural rehabilitationist, hearing aid audiologist or any similar title or description of service.</p> <p>We choose not to be specific in our scope of practice, thereby, not limiting the procedures that can be performed to an itemized list either now or in the future. Hope this helps. Sherman G. Lord, MS, FAAA President-Elect</p>
14. RI		√	<p>In Rhode Island, the law does not specifically mention, "inter-operative monitoring", but in the definition of an audiologist the phrase "...conducting and interpreting electrophysiological measures of the auditory pathway..." has been interpreted as inclusive of the operating suite. John P. Preece, Ph.D.</p>
15. TX	√		<p>The Texas licensing law is quite vague about scope of practice. Among other things it states that an audiologist may engage in any act necessary to evaluate hearing.</p> <p>Theoretically speaking, if the surgical procedure requires monitoring the VIIIth nerve, then the audiologist would be evaluating hearing and be operating within the scope of practice. If we were monitoring some other nerve during a surgical procedure of the hearing mechanism, again, I think we would be alright. However, if the surgical procedure did not involve the ear and the nerve being monitored was not affected by hearing status, we might be "on thin ice." Practically speaking, audiologists are doing all kinds of monitoring in Texas without restriction. Lee Wilson, Au.D.</p>
16. UT	√		<p>Utah has IOM included in the scope of practice. Michael D. Page, MCD, CCC-A</p>
17. WA	√		<p>Washington state does. Shann Rand, AuD</p>
18. WI		√	<p>Wisconsin Chapter 459 does not specifically include intra-operative monitoring as part of audiologists scope of practice but it does not exclude it either. <b>WI LICENSURE OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS</b> 459.20 Definitions. In this subchapter: (1) "Audiologist" means an individual engaged in the practice of audiology.</p>

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			<p>(2) "Audiology" means all of the following:</p> <p>(a) Applying principles, methods or procedures of prevention, identification, evaluation, consultation, intervention, instruction or research related to hearing, vestibular function, or any abnormal condition related to tinnitus, auditory sensitivity, acuity, function or processing, speech, language or other aberrant behavior resulting from hearing loss.</p> <p>(b) Engaging in the practice of fitting and dealing in hearing aids.</p> <p>Meredy Hase, Au.D.  Doctor of Audiology</p>