i. Both an ESA Credentialed SLP and a DOH credentialed SLP can deliver services via a telehealth model. There are no Professional Educators Standard Board (PESB) regulations which would prevent any of Washington state educator roles from practicing virtually. There are existing resources within the state and many districts to meet the <u>WA Telepractice Requirements</u> for audiologists and speech-language pathologists at the current time, and OSPI recommends that districts strongly consider adapting services in this manner, to meet the needs of their students. Additionally, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has released notice of <u>Enforcement Discretion for Telehealth Remote Communications During the COVID-19</u>
Nationwide Public Health Emergency which permits flexibility to provide services using widely available communication apps such as FaceTime or Skype when used in good faith to provide telehealth treatment or diagnostic services. The accompanying <u>FAQs on Telehealth and HIPAA during the COVID-19 nationwide public health emergency</u> provides more guidance on this topic.