

Head and Neck Institute
Section of Speech-Language Pathology – Main Campus

Speech-Language Pathologists at Cleveland Clinic are provided through the Head & Neck Institute (Ear, Nose and Throat) and The Voice Center at Cleveland Clinic. The Speech-Language Pathology team diagnoses and treats communication and swallowing abilities in adults and children.

Each speech-language pathologist is licensed by the State of Ohio and holds a Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American Speech Language Hearing Association.

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Dr. Newman completed a Master's in Audiology at Bowling Green State University and his Ph.D. in Audiology from Case Western Reserve University. Previously, he has worked at the Cleveland Veterans Administration Medical Center and Henry Ford Health System in Detroit, MI. He joined Cleveland Clinic in 1994.

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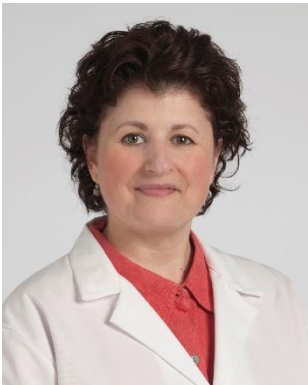


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