## **Certified Speech-Language-Hearing Therapists for Specialized Areas**

- JAS started offering specialization programs for our members to update and gain the advanced level of knowledge and skills in specialized areas of clinical practice since 2008.
- Any member with at least five years of clinical experience who has completed the advanced program in our continuing education is eligible for the specialization programs.
- An intensive course work (three two-day programs, total of six days within the same year) is composed of lectures by expert clinicians and physicians, a case presentation and discussion with modulators, and a final written examination. All the requirements must be fulfilled to qualify for the specialty certification.
- The specialized areas are listed below:
  - Dysphagia
    Aphasia and Higher Brain Dysfunction
    Language Disorders in Children
    Hearing Disorders
    Voice-Speech Disorders in Adults
    Voice-Speech Disorders in Children (in preparation)
- The total of 806 members are certified as of March 2020.
- One must renew the specialty certification every five years.