

Tabitha H. Kao, MS, CCC-SLP

CURRENT APPOINTMENTS

Doctoral Research Fellow
September 2021 – Present
Speech and Feeding Disorders Lab
MGH Institute of Health Professions
Boston, MA

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2021 – Present Doctor of Philosophy (Rehabilitation Sciences)
MGH Institute of Health Professions, Boston, MA

2013 – 2015 Master of Science (Communication Disorders)
University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, TX

2010 – 2013 Bachelor of Arts (Psychology)
University of North Texas, Denton, TX

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021 – Present Doctoral Research Fellow, Drs. Bridget Perry and Jordan Green's Speech and Feeding Disorders Lab, MGH Institute of Health Professions, Boston, MA

PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS

Lu, F., **Kao, T.**, Gilmore, A., Gomez, G., & Sun, D. (2019). Prophylactic measures and intervention for post-surgical dysphagia after anterior cervical discectomy and fusion. *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, 100(12): e216. doi: 10.1016/j.apmr.2019.10.172

Lu, F., **Kao, T.H.**, Meaux, V., Thomas, S., Rattan, K., & Sun, D.Y. (2019). Understanding dysphagia following anterior cervical discectomy and fusion. *Dysphagia*, 34: 948. doi: 10.1007/s00455-109-10022-z

SCIENTIFIC PAPER/CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Lu, F., **Kao, T.**, Chang, S., Hardeman, M. (2021). Multidisciplinary intervention for chromosome 18 deletion syndromes. *American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Conference*. Washington, D.C.

Lu, F., **Kao, T.**, Cody, J. (2021). Motor speech disorders across the lifespan. *American Speech-Language-Hearing Association*. Washington, D.C.

Lu, F., **Kao, T.H.**, Chang, S., Hardeman, M., & Cody, J. (2020). Proposal #12345: Motor speech profiles and genotypes of chromosome 18 deletion syndrome. *American Speech-Language-Hearing Association*. San Diego, CA. (Conference cancelled due to COVID-19.)

Lu, F., **Kao, T.H.**, Gilmore, A., Gomez, G., & Sun, D.Y. (2019). Prophylactic measures and intervention for post-surgical dysphagia after anterior cervical discectomy and fusion. *American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine*. Chicago, IL.

Lu, F., **Kao, T.H.**, Meaux, V., Thomas, S., Rattan, K., & Sun, D.Y. (2019). Understanding dysphagia following anterior cervical discectomy and fusion. *Dysphagia Research Society*. San Diego, CA.

Kao, T.H., & Maxey, G. (2012). Golden-cheeked warbler population estimation to determine conservation methodology in Texas. *Southwest Division of the Association of American Geographers*. Las Cruces, NM.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Kao, T.H., & King, K. (2020). Interdisciplinary care of swallowing disorders. *OCCT 6037 (OT Process: Adult Neuromuscular Dysfunction) Guest Lecture*, University of Texas Health-San Antonio. San Antonio, TX.

Lu, F., Hardeman, M., Chang, S.L., & **Kao, T.H.** (2020). Speech and language impairments in individuals with chromosome 18p deletion syndrome. *Virtual Chromosome 18 Decoded! Conference*, University of Texas Health-San Antonio. San Antonio, TX.

GRANTS

2018	Fiberoptic Endoscope System, AdventHealth Central Texas Foundation Board, \$36,000.
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CERTIFICATIONS

2016 – Present	Certificate in Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology
2021 – Present	Massachusetts Speech-Language Pathologist
2016 – Present	Texas Speech-Language Pathologist
2019 – Present	Modified Barium Swallow Impairment Profile
2017 – Present	McNeill Dysphagia Therapy Program
2016 – Present	Lee Silverman Voice Treatment

MEMBERSHIPS

2016 – Present	American-Speech-Language-Hearing Association
2016 – Present	Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association
2019 – Present	Dysphagia Research Society