SHS 531
Motor Speech Treatment Plan Exercise

You have just completed the evaluation of Marjorie, a 73 year old woman who has suffered at least three CVAs in the last two years. Your assessment led you to a diagnosis of spastic dysarthria, and you noted moderate to severe deficits in speech intelligibility. Her cognitive skills appear to be mildly impaired, and she lives in an assisted-living facility. Despite her slow rate, you have decided to employ the techniques of overarticulation and rate reduction to improve speech intelligibility when she communicates with caregivers and friends. Write a treatment plan focused on improving functional speech intelligibility using the techniques mentioned above. Your treatment plan should include the following:

1. **Prognostic statement** (amount of progress expected and time frame in which progress can be anticipated - remember that you are justifying your services to her insurance company)

2. **Long-term goal** (statement about general area of intervention needed - should be about speech intelligibility settings that are functional for this client)

3. **Short-term objectives** (to be worked on immediately)
   a. Achievable in four weeks or less
   b. Part of hierarchical progression of objectives based on task analysis
   c. Written in measurable terms
   d. Include conditions under which targeted behavior will occur
   e. Include criteria for progressing to next objective or discontinuation of therapy

4. **Procedures and materials**
   a. Include techniques to elicit targeted behaviors
   b. Include type of feedback and reinforcement to be provided

Submit your typed treatment plan at the beginning of class (no cover page needed).