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Arkansas Rehabilitation Services Interpreting Referral Service

The individuals listed within have obtained the following credentials:

National Certification

National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (**RID**)

National Association of the Deaf (**NAD**)

State Level

Arkansas Quality Assurance Screening Test (**QAST**)

These individuals have agreed to have their names listed among the interpreters who may provide interpreting services on an individual contractual basis, providing they are qualified for the situation or assignment according to the Code of Professional Conduct.

If you need a Sign Language Interpreter, you may contact any of the interpreters listed. Bear in mind the skill level needed for the situation and the skill level of the Interpreter with whom you contract.

If you need further information regarding the qualifications of these interpreters, please contact the Interpreter Coordinator at the number below.

Interpreter Coordinator/QAST Administrator

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National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf

Certifications of Interpreters:

SC:L – Special Certificate: Legal
NIC-M – National Interpreting Certificate, Master
NIC-A – National Interpreting Certificate, Advanced
NIC – National Interpreting Certificate
RSC – Reverse Skills Certificate
CSC – Comprehensive Skills Certificate
CT – Certificate of Transliteration
CI – Certificate of Interpretation
TC – Transliterating Certificate
IC – Interpreting Certificate
OTC – Oral Transliterating Certificate
NAD – National Association of the Deaf
Ed:K-12 - Educational Certificate: K-12

Interpreter Referral Agencies

Communication Plus Inc. 501- 224-2521
scheduling@cplusinterpreting.com

Communicating Hands Inc. 501-515-4521
interpreting@communicatinghands.com

Sign Language Interpreter Network of NWA 479-268-2417
www.slinofnwa.com

Specialized Interpreting 501-837-2944
www.specializedinterpreting.com

The Interpreters with “*” are full time state employees.
Interpreters with “” have full time jobs.**

Nationally Certified Interpreters through RID/NAD

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Directory of Arkansas QAST (Quality Assurance Screening Test) State Level Interpreters

The following listed individuals have successfully completed the Arkansas Quality Assurance Screening Test conducted by Arkansas Rehabilitation Services, Office for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired and have agreed to have their names and levels announced. NOTE: The title "**Beginner**" is exactly that and should be used with caution in areas above their skill level. Two categories of communication are used for QAST tests, Transliterating: "*the process of transmitting spoken English into any one of several English-oriented varieties of manual communications between deaf and hearing people*" and Interpreting: "*the process of transmitting spoken English into American Sign Language and/or gestures for communication between deaf and hearing people*".

LEVEL 5 - Accomplished Level

Functions well expressively and receptively as an interpreter/transliterator in a majority of situations.

Limitations: No restrictions are indicated. Use of professional judgment.

LEVEL 4 - Qualified Level

Functions well expressively and receptively in most technical situations and can function well as an interpreter/transliterator. **Limitations:** Discretion should be used regarding the situation and language level of the consumer. Use professional judgment.

SHOULD NOT BE UTILIZED IN THE FOLLOWING:

Civil Or Criminal Court Cases * Extensive Mental Health Therapy

LEVEL 3 - Advanced Beginner

Most group sessions are easily handled if there is a minimum of voicing required. Most one-on-one situations are easily handled. **Limitations:** Most one-on-one situations and most group sessions. Most workshops with limited voicing. Stronger ASL and PSE than Levels 1 or 2.

SHOULD NOT BE UTILIZED IN THE FOLLOWING:

Legal * Mental Health * Serious Medical * Critical situations of **any** nature

LEVEL 2 - Intermediate Beginner

Can be used for job applications, orientation sessions, tutoring sessions, and simple non-technical medical examinations. These interpreting situations may or may not permit the interpreter to stop consumer(s) for clarification. **Limitations:** One-to-one situations where communication **can** be interrupted occasionally for clarification. Limited voicing and limited platform. Limited group sessions/workshops/seminars where communication can be interrupted occasionally for clarification.

SHOULD NOT BE UTILIZED IN THE FOLLOWING:

Legal * Mental Health * Educational * Serious Medical * Critical situations of **any** nature

LEVEL 1 - Entry Beginner

A LEVEL 1 interpreter may be used for one-to-one situations on a non-technical basis in which the interpreter has an opportunity to stop for clarification and receive feedback from the consumer who is deaf and/or hearing. **Limitations:** One to one situation where communication **can** be interrupted easily for clarification. Limited voicing and limited ASL (interpreting) Stronger PSE (transliterating).

SHOULD NOT BE UTILIZED IN THE FOLLOWING:

Legal * Mental Health * Educational * Platform * Serious Medical * Critical situations of **any** nature

Level 5 is permanent. Level 4 is awarded for five (5) years at which time the interpreter must be re-screened. Level 1-3 is awarded for two (2) years at which time the interpreter must be re-screened. Interpreters must submit 10 Continuing Education Units each year to maintain their current QAST level. Those who don't earn their CEU's will lose their level.

LEVEL 5

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