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This document includes academic/educational, examination, and experience requirements for professional licensure. It does not necessarily include individual state fees for application to licensure, continuing education/continuing professional development requirements, Professional Fitness/good moral character/ethics requirements, exemptions, criminal background check information, residency or citizenship requirements, reciprocity options, required transcripts, letters of recommendation, renewal requirements, photos, notarization, child support obligations, etc.

You may find more information at the following links:

- [Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf](#) (RID)
 - [NIC \(RID\) Exam information](#) – Prerequisite: must have a minimum of a bachelor’s degree or an approved alternate pathway to eligibility.
- [RID Summary of State-by-State Regulations](#)
- [Center for the Assessment of Sign Language Interpretation](#) (CASLI)
- [Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment](#) (EIPA)
- [National Association of the Deaf](#) (NAD)
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State/ Territory	Website	State Statutes/Rules/Laws	Licenses	Educational Requirements (Academic)	Examination Requirements	Experiential Learning Requirements	Program Meets Educational Requirements (Yes/No)
Alabama	Alabama Licensure Board for Interpreters and Transliterators 2777 Zelda Road Montgomery, AL 36106 Phone: 334-277-8881 FAX: 334-277-0188 Email:	Administrative Code Chapter 488-X-1 Code of Alabama Title 34, Chapter 16 Rules and Regulations webpage	Interpreters and Transliterators Required to be licensed annually if providing interpreting or transliterating services for remuneration.	Current validation of a nationally recognized certification as approved by the board. (RID) Each	Examination required to obtain RID certification. And		Yes

	<p>keith@alstaetboard.com (Keith Warren, Exec. Dir.)</p> <p>Website: http://www.albit.alabama.gov/</p> <p>Administrative Office of Courts: http://www.alacourt.gov/Interpreter-Help.aspx</p>		<p>Admin Code Chapter 488-X-1.06: A permit limits the holder to provide services in specific areas for which the permit has been issued. Those who do not meet the requirements for licensure (no RID certification) may apply for a permit. Must pass one of the following performance assessment tests: Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Kansas, EIPA (levels 3.0-3.9), or Educational Interpreter Evaluation.</p> <p>Alabama allows for reciprocity agreement with another state or organization that has substantially the same requirements or more stringent requirements.</p>	<p>Experience Credit is roughly equal to one semester hour or of college credit. Experience Credits must total to 60 for an associate's degree requirement and 120 for a bachelor's degree requirement. Four years of interpreting full-time meets the educational equivalency of an associate's degree for the purposes of RID's educational requirement. College credit is accepted from accredited institutions.</p> <p>National Interpreter Certification</p>	<p>Must pass an interpreter code of ethics exam approved by the board.</p>		
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				<p>(NIC) – Must have a bachelor’s degree or approved alternate pathway to eligibility.</p> <p>Certified Deaf Interpreter (CDI) – Must have an associate’s degree. Bachelor’s degree requirement will go into effect six months after new CDI Performance Exam is available (scheduled for 2018).</p> <p>Students enrolled in a formal ASL program are allowed to interpret or transliterate as part of the training for a</p>			
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				maximum of 16 weeks in an educational setting or 120 hours in an agency or business.			
Alaska	<p>Alaska Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf PO Box 202010 Anchorage, AK 99520 Email: akridpres@gmail.com</p> <p>Website: alaskarid.org</p> <p>Alaska Deaf Council PO Box 90129 Anchorage, AK 99509 Email: dgates@alaskadeafcouncil.org</p> <p>Website: http://www.alaskadeafcouncil.org/</p>	<p>4 AAC 52.255</p> <p>2015 Special Education Handbook</p>	<p>4 AAC 52.255: An interpreter provided as part of a program of special education and related to services for a child with a disability who is deaf must be certified by the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, or must be enrolled and progressing in a program that meets the standards developed by the Board of Education and Early Development’s Advisory Board for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.</p>				Yes
Arizona	<p>Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 100 N. 15th Ave., Suite 104 Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: 602-542-3323</p>	<p>Title 36 Chapter 17.1 Articles 1 and 2</p> <p>Arizona State Legislature 36-1946</p>	<p>Beginning 9-1-2007 the commission licenses interpreters for the deaf and hard of hearing.</p>	<p>Generalist: R9-26-503 See certification requirements.</p> <p>Legal: R9-26-504</p>	<p>Provisional: R9-26-505 Pass the written portion of the RID, NAD, or</p>	<p>Legal: R9-26-504 Class C: 10,000 hours of paid interpreting after initial certification</p>	Yes

	<p>Video Phone: 480-559-9442 Voice/TTY: 800-352-8161 TTY: 602-364-0990 Fax: 602-542-3380 Email: info@acdhh.az.gov</p> <p>Website: http://www.acdhh.org</p> <p>Applications: http://www.acdhh.org/interpreter-services/licensure-(applications)/initial-applications</p>	<p>AZ Administrative Code Title 9 chapter 26</p>	<p>Legal, Generalist, and Provisional licenses available.</p> <p>See exempt interpreters here: 36-1971 Exempt from licensure: Interns or students in training, if enrolled in a program of study in interpreting at an accredited institution of higher learning and work under the supervision of a licensed interpreter as part of a supervised program of study and is identified to all consumers as an intern or student in training.</p>	<p>Certification by RID, NAD, or BEI. 50 hours of legal training obtained during the five years prior to application.</p> <p>Provisional: R9-26-505 Class A or D require 40 hours of participation in and interpreter-preparation training program offered by an accredited college or university or approved by RID, NAD, or BEI. Class B or C requires 80 hours.</p>	<p>BEI examination.</p>	<p>by RID, NAD, or BEI. Class D: 500 hours of paid interpreting after initial certification by RID, NAD, or BEI.</p> <p>Provisional: R9-26-505 Class A: 24 hours (a score of at least 4.0 on the EIPA performance test; ACCI certification; or a state-issued certification or certificate of competency in good standing). Class B: Same as Class A plus have a mentor according to Provisional: R9-26-505 Subsection B.</p>	
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Arkansas	<p>Arkansas Advisory Board for Interpreters for the Deaf 4815 W. Markham Little Rock, AR 72205-3867 1-800-462-0599 Phone: 501-661-2878 Email: Karley.E.Altazan@arkansas.gov</p> <p>Website: http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/advisory-board-for-interpreters-for-the-deaf</p> <p>Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf PO Box 46511 Little Rock, Arkansas 72214-6511 Contact: https://www.arkansasrid.org/contact-us/</p> <p>Website: https://www.arkansasrid.org/</p> <p>Application for ADH Licensure: https://www.arkansasrid.org/wp-</p>	<p>Rules and Regulations – Effective 2016</p> <p>Act 1314</p>	<p>Qualified Interpreter License</p> <p>Provisional License: Available for individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing and who are not yet credentialed by any of the credentialing entities: ARS QAST, EIPA, NAD, RID, National Cued Speech Association, Texas Board for Evaluation of Interpreters, or other credentials recognized by the Advisory Board for Interpreters.</p>	<p>Provisional License: 15 hours of interpreter training.</p>		<p>Provisional License: 10 hours of supervised observation/interpreting with a seasoned, RID credentialed interpreter.</p>	Yes
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California	<p>California Department of Rehabilitation Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services 721 Capitol Mall Sacramento, CA 95814 Mailing: PO Box 944222 Sacramento, CA 94244-2220 Phone: 916-558-5670 (Voice) 844-729-2800 (TDD/TTY) Email: dhhs@dor.ca.gov</p> <p>Website: http://www.dor.ca.gov/SSD/Deaf-Hard-of-Hearing-Services.html</p> <p>CA Association of the Deaf Website: http://www.cad1906.org/</p>	<p>California Evidence Code Section 754</p> <p>2008 Educational Interpreter Regulations</p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators.</p> <p>Certified Legal Interpreters and Transliterators</p> <p>Certified Educational Interpreters</p>		<p>American Sign Language (ASL) Testing and Certification - The Department of Rehabilitation, through its Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Section, is the sole department authorized to conduct the statewide American Sign Language Bilingual Proficiency examination for all state employees. This exam is designed to measure skills in vocabulary, grammar, comprehensio</p>	<p>Educational Interpreter: Must be certified by RID with a score of 4.0 or above on the EIPA, the ESSE-I/R, or the NAD/ACCI assessment.</p> <p>If providing Cued Language transliteration , a transliterator must have TECUnit certification, or have achieved a score of 4.0 or above on the EIPA – Cued Speech.</p> <p>Legal Interpreter: qualified interpreter</p>	Yes

					<p>n, and competency in ASL communication. Cost for this examination to each requesting department is \$115.00 for each employee/candidate taking the exam. To request an ASL Bilingual exam and/or for more information, please contact: Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services at (916) 558-5670, or email DHHS@dor.ca.gov.</p>	<p>who has been certified as competent to interpret court proceedings by a testing organization, agency, or educational institution approved by the Judicial Council as qualified to administer tests to court interpreters for individuals who are deaf or hearing impaired.</p>	
Colorado	<p>Colorado Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 1575 Sherman Street, Garden Level Denver, CO 80203 Phone: 720-457-3679</p>	<p>CO Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Statute 26-21 CO Consumer Protection Act Title 6 Article 1</p>	<p>Auxiliary Service Provider: Status I (RID Specialist Certificate: Legal (SC:L), RID CDI); Status II (Hold other certificates: must attain Legal Credential Authorization. DIs must have Initial Legal</p>	<p>Legal Credential Authorization: 65 hours of training specific to legal interpreting and each</p>		<p>Legal Credential Authorization: Status I - 25 hours of Supervised Experience; Status II – 35</p>	Yes

	<p>Email: email.ccdhh@state.co.us</p> <p>Website: http://ccdhh.com/index.php/contact-us/</p> <p>Colorado RID</p>	Legal and Educational Statutes	<p>Credential Authorization: Deaf interpreters are required to have a minimum of 8 hours of training related to the RID Code);</p>	<p>Status I CDI holder must attain 20 hours Continuing Education (2.0 CEUs) specific to legal settings during each 4 year period, and maintain current certification. Status II must have 40 hours Continuing Education (4.0 CEUs) specific to legal settings during each 4 year period, half of which must be skills training, and maintain current certification.</p>		<p>hours of Supervised Experience.</p> <p>Please note that CO has a Workers' Compensation law which applies to hospitals/clinicals and unpaid internships requiring unpaid student interns to be covered by workers' compensation insurance. BU does not provide this for students.</p>	
Connecticut	<p>Connecticut Dept. of Rehabilitation Services Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services 184 Windsor Ave. Windsor, CT 06095 Phone: 860-697-3560</p>	<p>All sign language interpreters working for compensation in Connecticut must satisfy the mandates of established law CT General Statute Sec. 46a-33a, including annual registration</p>	<p>(CGS § 46a-33a(c)): 1. certification from the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID); 2. level four or higher (on a scale of one to five, five being the highest)</p>		<p>Medical setting: CGS § 46a-33a(d) Must be registered with the Department of Rehabilitation</p>		Yes

	<p>Website: http://www.dhoh.ct.gov/dhoh/site/default.asp</p>	<p>with DORS and submission of documented credentials, including certification by a nationally recognized board.</p> <p>Statutes and Guidelines</p>	<p>certification from the National Association of the Deaf (NAD);</p> <p>3. a NAD-RID national interpreting certificate;</p> <p>4. successful completion of (a) either the RID written generalist test or the NAD-RID certification knowledge exam, (b) level three NAD certification, and (c) two continuing education units per year for a maximum of five years of training approved by DORS before completing the RID performance exam or the NAD-RID national interpreter certification exam;</p> <p>5. successful completion of (a) either RID written generalist test or NAD-RID certification knowledge exam, (b) graduation from an accredited interpreter training program, and (c) two continuing education units per year for a maximum of five years of training approved by DORS before completing the RID performance exam or the NAD-RID national</p>		<p>Services and</p> <p>(1) hold a comprehensive skills certificate from the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (2) hold a certificate of interpretation or a certificate of transliteration from the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (3) hold a level four or higher certification from the National Association of the Deaf, (4) hold a reverse skills certificate or is a certified deaf interpreter under the National</p>		
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			<p>interpreter certification exam;</p> <p>6. for situations requiring an oral interpreter only, oral certification from RID;</p> <p>7. for situations requiring a cued speech transliterator only, certification from the National Training, Evaluation, and Certification Unit (TECUnit) and successful completion of the RID written generalist test; or</p> <p>8. a reverse skills certificate or a CDI certificate from RID.</p>		<p>Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (5) for situations requiring an oral interpreter only, hold oral certification from the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (6) for situations requiring a cued speech transliterator only, hold certification from the National Training, Evaluation and Certification Unit and pass the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf written generalist test, or (7) hold a</p>		
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					<p>National Association of the Deaf- National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf national interpreting certificate.</p> <p>CGS § 46a-33a(e) Legal setting: (e) Must registered with the Department of Rehabilitation Services and (1) hold a comprehensive skills certificate from the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (2) hold a certificate of interpretation and a certificate of transliteration from the National</p>	
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					<p>Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (3) hold a level five certification from the National Association of the Deaf, (4) hold a reverse skills certificate or is a certified deaf interpreter under the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (5) for situations requiring an oral interpreter only, hold oral certification from the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, (6) for situations requiring a cued speech transliterator only, hold certification</p>	
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					<p>from the National Training, Evaluation and Certification Unit and pass the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf written generalist test, or (7) hold a National Association of the Deaf-National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf national interpreting certificate.</p> <p>COURT INTERPRETERS : The Oral Examination provided by the NCSC typically consists of four sections:</p> <p>Sight translation of an English</p>	
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					<p>document into the other language.</p> <p>Sight translation of a document in the other language into English.</p> <p>Consecutive interpretation , English into other language, and other language into English.</p> <p>Simultaneous interpretation from English into the other language.</p>		
Delaware	<p>Delaware Dept. of Labor Division of Vocational Rehabilitation DE Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 4425 North Market Street Wilmington, DE 19802-1307 (302)504-4741 - VP & Voice</p>	<p>There are no laws requiring a screening, but some hospitals, courts etc. may have their own policy.</p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators for the community</p>	<p>http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title14/700/764.shtml</p> <p>Educational: Interpreter Tutors for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing must</p>	<p>Courts have Certification sessions.</p>		yes

	(302)761-8275 - TTY and Voice (302)761-6611 - Fax Loretta.Sarro@state.de.us Website: https://dvr.delawareworks.com/dodhh.php			hold a BA and either have Generalist RID certification OR an EIPA 4.0 or higher.			
District of Columbia	DC Association of the Deaf PO Box 48521 Washington, DC 20002 Contact: http://dcadeaf.org/contact-us/ Website: http://dcadeaf.org/	District of Columbia Statute	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators.				yes
Florida	Florida Coordinating Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A13 Tallahassee, FL 32399 Phone: 850-245-4913; 1-866-602-3275 (Toll Free) Fax: 850-414-6625 Email: ComunityHealthPromotion@flhealth.gov Website: http://www.floridaheal	Florida Statutes See 90.6063 Title XXX Chapter 413	Currently there are no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators.		Court Interpreting Exam Requirements		yes

	th.gov/provider-and-partner-resources/fccdhh/index.html						
Georgia	<p>GA Professional Standards Commission</p> <p>GA Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 4151 Memorial Dr. Suite 103-B Decatur, GA 30032 Phone: 404-292-5312 (Voice/TTY) 404-381-8447 (VP) Fax: 404-299-3642</p> <p>Website: http://www.gcdhh.org/</p>	Georgia State Laws	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for generalist/community sign language interpreters and transliterators.</p> <p>Educational Licensure: Educational License</p> <p><u>Court Licensing:</u> “Qualified Interpreter” means any person certified as an interpreter by the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf or approved as an interpreter by the GA Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf.</p>	Educational Initial Licensure: bachelor’s or higher degree from an accredited institution of higher education.	Educational Initial Licensure Requirements : Hold a valid certification through RID; or pass EIPA at level 3.5 or higher and hold a bachelor’s degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education.		yes
Hawaii	<p>HI Dept. of Human Services Services for the Deaf Phone: 808-586-4993 Email: dhs@dhs.hawaii.gov</p> <p>Website: http://humanservices.hawaii.gov/blog/services-for-the-deaf/</p>	Hawaii State Laws	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators				yes

Idaho	<p>Idaho Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 1720 Westgate Dr., Suite A2, Boise, ID 83704 Fax: 208-334-0952 Phone: 208-914-3464 (Cell) 208-473-2122 (VP) 208-334-0879 (V)</p> <p>Website: https://cdhh.idaho.gov/</p>	Idaho Statutes	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for generalist/community sign language interpreters and transliterators.</p> <p>Educational Interpreters: (1) No person shall act as an educational interpreter in an Idaho public school unless the person has been qualified to do so. The person shall be qualified if the person: (a) Has achieved a score of 3.5 or higher on the educational interpreter performance assessment or has achieved a comparable score on an equivalent test as determined by the bureau; or (b) Is currently certified by: (i) The registry of interpreters for the deaf; (ii) The national association of the deaf at a level of III or higher; (iii) The registry of interpreters for the deaf, oral transliteration for oral transliterators; or (iv) The testing, evaluation, and</p>				yes
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			<p>certification unit for cued language transliterators.</p> <p>A graduate of an interpreter education program may serve as an educational interpreter in Idaho public schools, kindergarten through grade twelve (12) before meeting the requirements of subsection (1) of this section for one (1) year following such graduation.</p>				
Illinois	<p>Illinois Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission 528 South Fifth Street, Suite 209 Springfield, IL 62701 Phone: 217-557-4495 (V) 217-303-8010 (VP) 888-261-2698 (TTY) Fax: 217-557-4492 Email: dhh.interpreter@illinois.gov</p> <p>Website: https://www.illinois.gov/idhhc/Pages/default.aspx</p>	<p>Administrative Code</p> <p>Interpreter for the Deaf Licensure Act of 2007</p> <p>Statutes</p>	<p>Licensed Interpreter – Requirement to be licensed does not pertain to those currently enrolled in a supervised course of study leading to a certificate or degree in interpreting, if clearly designated as a student, trainee, or intern.</p>	<p>Initial Licensure: Must have certification of graduation from high school or its equivalent.</p>	<p>Sec. 35. Examination and evaluation. The written examination shall test knowledge of interpreting and the performance evaluation shall test the competence and skills of interpreting and</p>		Yes

					<p>transliterating .</p> <p>Section 1515.50: Initial Licensure certificates accepted – ISAS Interpreting or Transliterating Level 3 or higher; RID(IC), RID(TC), RID IC/TC, TECUnit, Missouri Interpreter Certification Intermediate, any state’s BEI Intermediate Level, Deaf Interpreters with the required training under a provisional license and proof of passing a generalized knowledge based test</p>	
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					provided by the Commission, or Licensure in other states based on qualifications similar to those listed above.		
Indiana	<p>Indiana Family and Social Services Administration Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services 402 West Washington Street – MS 23 IGCS – W453 Indianapolis, IN 46204 Email: DHSHelp@fssa.IN.gov</p> <p>Website: http://www.in.gov/fssa/ddrs/2637.htm</p>	Indiana Laws	<p>Certification for Court Interpreters</p> <p>Educational Licensure</p> <p>Provisional Indiana Interpreter Certificate (IIC)</p> <p>Nationally certified interpreter</p>	<p>Provide proof of graduation from an ITP program.</p> <p>To apply for an IIC as a provisional, one would need to have a bachelor’s degree.</p>	<p>Pass written test from RID.</p> <p>You have up to five years from the date of passing the written exam to take the performance exam. If you do not pass the performance exam, or fail to take it, your Provisional Certification will expire at the end of five years.</p>		Yes
Iowa	Bureau of Professional Licensure Iowa Dept. of Public Health	Admin. Code Chapter 361	Licensure as an Interpreter or Transliterator		IAC 645-361.2 : No application will be considered by		Yes

	<p>Board of Sign Language Interpreters and Transliterators Lucas State Office Bldg, 5th Floor 321 East 12th Street Des Moines, IA 50319-0075 Phone: 515-281-0254 Fax: 515-281-3121</p> <p>Website: https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Sign-Language-Interpreters-and-Transliterators</p>	<p>Online Licensure Services: https://ibpllicense.iowa.gov/PublicPortal/Iowa/IBPL/common/index.jsp</p>			<p>the board until the applicant successfully meets one of the following requirements: (1) Passes the National Association of the Deaf/Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (NAD/RID) National Interpreter Certification (NIC) examination after November 30, 2011; or (2) Passes one of the following examinations administered by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID): 1. Oral Transliteration Certificate (OTC); or</p>		
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					<p>2. Certified Deaf Interpreter (CDI); or</p> <p>(3) Passes the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) with a score of 3.5 or above after December 31, 1999; or</p> <p>(4) Passes the Cued Language Transliterator National Certification Examination (CLTNCE) administered by The National Certifying Body for Cued Language Transl iterators ; or</p> <p>(5) Currently holds one of the following NAD/RID certifications awarded</p>	
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					<p>through November 30, 2011, by the National Council on Interpreting (NCI):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. National Interpreter Certification (NIC); or 2. National Interpreter Certification Advanced (NIC Advanced); or 3. National Interpreter Certification Master (NIC Master); or <p>(6) Currently holds one of the following certifications previously awarded by the RID:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Certificate of Interpretation (CI); or 2. Certificate of Transliteration (CT); or 	
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					<p>3. Certificate of Interpretation and Certificate of Transliteration (CI and CT); or</p> <p>4. Interpretation Certificate/Transliteration Certificate (IC/TC); or</p> <p>5. Comprehensive Skills Certificate (CSC); or</p> <p>(7) Currently holds one of the following certifications previously awarded by the National Association of the Deaf (NAD):</p> <p>1. NAD III (Generalist); or</p> <p>2. NAD IV (Advanced); or</p> <p>3. NAD V (Master).</p>	
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<p>Kansas</p>	<p>Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 555 S. Kansas, 3rd Floor Topeka, KS 66603 Phone: 785-368-8034 or 785-246-5077 (VP) Fax: 785-368-7467</p> <p>Website: http://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/RS/Pages/KCDH_H.aspx</p>	<p>Amended and Revised Statutes</p> <p>Kansas Quality Assurance Screening</p> <p>In pursuant of K.S.A. 75-5393(b)(6), KCDHH maintains a listing of persons qualified in various types of interpreting, as supported by K.S.A. 75-5393(b)(11), which KCDHH through its Executive Director provides for a program of regulation and certification of interpreters for the deaf, hard of hearing and speech-impaired individuals. The KCDHH administers the statewide registration of all interpreters in place of a certification system, of which either system are made available by K.S.A. 75-4355b, et</p>	<p>Registration Requirements</p> <p>Registration Form</p> <p>If you are not KQAS certified, a copy of certification (RID, NIC, EIPA) is required.</p>		<p>Educational Interpreter Requirements</p> <p>Currently a 3.5 score on the EIPA is required and a 4.0 on the ESSE or KQAS assessments to allow a district to claim the interpreter as a professional. RID membership with NIC or ED:K-12 is also accepted. The types of assessments accepted by KSDE and required scores for each are in the current year's Special Educaiton REimburseme nt Guide, which is updated yearly and may be found</p>		<p>Yes</p>
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		<p>seq. KCDHH previously administered the Kansas Quality Assurance Screening (KQAS), a state certification system, until September 30, 2014 after a 4-year transition. The goal of this transition is to promote interpreters to become nationally certified and/or appropriately credentialed; and the registration system has become inclusive of all interpreters.</p> <p>In addition to recognized national certifications and credentials, KCDHH continues to recognize interpreters with KQAS certifications of levels 4/4 or better as long as they are in good standing with their CEU maintenance</p>			<p>at http://www.kdsde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=538</p>		
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		<p>requirements and biennium registration. Interpreters with KQAS levels 3 or other unapproved credentials are allowed to obtain a provisional registration with KCDHH and are given opportunities to develop their competence through KCDHH's supervision plan and mentoring program. As dictated by K.S.A. 75-4355b(d), no person shall serve as an interpreter unless the KCDHH makes the determination that the person is qualified to interpret. The KCDHH has also designated the Executive Director of KCDHH to make such determination and approval.</p>					
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Kentucky	<p>KY Board of Interpreters for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 911 Leawood Dr. Frankfort, KY 40601 Phone: 502-782-8814 Fax: 502-696-5836 Email: kbi@ky.gov</p> <p>Website: http://kbi.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 632 Versailles Road Frankfort, KY 40601 Phone: 502-573-2604 (V) 502-416-0607 (VP) Email: kcdhh@kcdhh.ky.gov</p> <p>Website: https://www.kcdhh.ky.gov/oea/kbi.html</p>	<p>Kentucky Statutes</p> <p>KRS 309.300 to 309.319</p>	<p>Licensure Requirements</p> <p>Kentucky sign language interpreters must hold a valid Kentucky license in order to interpret. Interpreters must be licensed in the state of KY and be certified by a national organization.</p> <p>To be eligible for licensure, must submit application, fee, and current certification from a nationally recognized organization at the requisite level for sign language interpreters, oral interpreters, or cued speech transliterators as determined by the board and promulgated by administrative regulation.</p> <p>Temporary licensure may be issued to an applicant who is certified at a level below that required for licensure. Must be training under the supervision of a licensed interpreter. Temporary license is valid for up to one year for graduates of a baccalaureate interpreter training program.</p>	<p>Educational Requirements</p> <p>Once you have completed your education and gained some interpreting experience, you must take a certification test. The National Interpreter Certification (NIC) test is given jointly by the National Association of the Deaf and the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf. First, you must take the NIC Knowledge Exam (on computer) then the NIC Performance Exam (you must have a bachelor's degree in any field in order to</p>	<p>Legal Interpreter Requirements</p> <p>Educational Interpreter Requirements</p>		Yes
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				register for this exam).			
Louisiana	Louisiana Commission for the Deaf 628 N. 4 th Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Phone: 1-800-256-1523 Email: ariel.bumbala@la.gov Website: http://www.ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/318	State Regulations for Educational Interpreter and Educational Transliterator	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators		Court Interpreter Registration : American Sign Language interpreters are not required to take the written translation examination, but instead shall provide proof of a valid Specialist Certificate Legal (SC:L) or a national generalist certificate from the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID).		Yes
Maine	Maine Professional and Financial Regulation Interpreters and Transliterator of American Sign Language and English 35 State House Station	Revised Statutes Title 32, Chapter 22, subsections 1521-1532 Rules 02-41 Chapter 50-55	License Types Certified Interpreter Certified Deaf Interpreter Certified Transliterator	Certified Interpreter, Certified Deaf Interpreter, and Certified Transliterator : high school	Individuals who hold NAD credential are considered Certified Members of RID.		Yes

	<p>Augusta, ME 04333-0035 Phone: 207-624-8603 Fax: 207-624-8637 TTY users call Maine relay 711 Email: interpreters@maine.gov</p> <p>Website: http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensin g/professions/interpreters/contactus.html</p>	<p>Laws and Rules webpage</p>	<p>Limited Interpreter Limited Transliterators Limited Deaf Interpreter</p> <p><u>As of June 30, 2000</u>, a person may not provide interpreting services for compensation or remuneration unless properly licensed in accordance with state statutes.</p>	<p>diploma or equivalent; proof of certification by RID, proof of a minimum certification level of 4 from the National Association of the Deaf, or comparable certification by a comparable successor organization.</p> <p><u>Limited Interpreter, Limited Transliterators, or Limited Deaf Interpreter:</u> high school diploma or equivalent; and proof of completion of at least 100 clock hours of instruction in ASL conducted by an instructor recognized by the ASL Teachers</p>	<p>Two types of RID Certifications available:</p> <p>National Interpreter Certification (NIC) – Must have a bachelor’s degree or approved alternate pathway to eligibility.</p> <p>Certified Deaf Interpreter (CDI) – Must have an associate’s degree. Bachelor’s degree requirement will go into effect six months after new CDI Performance Exam is available (scheduled for 2018).</p>		
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				<p>Association, an interpreter certified by either the RID, Inc. or the National Association of the Deaf, or an instructor of courses through an accredited college, accredited university or accredited or approved high school or conducted by certification maintenance course sponsors approved by RID or NAD; proof of completion of at least 100 clock hours of instruction in the interpreting process including deaf culture and ethics of interpreting</p>			
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				<p>conducted through an accredited college, university or high school.</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Submit documentation of a score of 3.5 or higher on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment or successor assessment.</p>			
Maryland	<p>Maryland Governor’s Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD 21032-2023 443-453-5761 Email: gov.odhh@maryland.gov v</p> <p>Website: http://odhh.maryland.gov/</p>		There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators		Court Interpreter Requirements		Yes

Massachusetts	<p>Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing One Ashburton Place Boston, MA 02108 Phone: 617-573-1600 Email: http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/mcdhh/contact-us/</p> <p>Website: https://www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-commission-for-the-deaf-and-hard-of-hearing</p>	<p>Regulations on Court Interpreters for the deaf or hearing impaired:</p> <p>http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/mcdhh/ - Qualified interpreter definition is based upon the recommendations of the Massachusetts Registry of the Deaf, the MASS. State Association of the Deaf and other appropriate agencies.</p> <p>Laws/rules webpage: http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/mcdhh/</p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators</p>		<p>Since July 2007,2 any staff members providing educational interpreting for public school students who are Deaf or hard of hearing must be registered through the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (MCDHH). These individuals include staff members who are identified as educational interpreters, oral transliterators , or others who fulfill the role of educational interpreter, but are not identified as such.</p>		<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Michigan</p>	<p>MDCR Division of Deaf, Deafblind and Hard of Hearing Cadillac Place 3054 W. Grand Boulevard, Suite 3-600 Detroit, MI 48202 VP: 313-437-7035 Toll-free Voice/TTY: 313-437-7035 Fax: 313-456-3721 Email: DODDBHH@Michigan.gov</p> <p>Website: http://www.michigan.gov/mdcr/0,4613,7-138-28545---,00.html</p> <p>Application form: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/BEI_Examination_Application_12-21-17_609419_7.pdf</p>	<p>2016 Policies and Procedures for MI Certified Interpreters</p> <p>Qualified Interpreter – 2014 General Rules MCL 393.5001-393.5095</p> <p>Educational interpreter qualifications R 393.5026</p> <p>Deaf Person’s Interpreter Act</p>	<p>All interpreter, whether state and/or nationally credentialed, are mandated to be state-certified to work as a sign language interpreter in MI.</p> <p>Recognized Interpreter Certificates: MI BEI I, II, III; CDI, DI; EIPA; any state certification issued by a state with which MI has a reciprocal agreement; national certifications issued by RID; equivalent certifications recognized by RID and/or the Division.</p> <p>Must hold a valid Michigan certification card to be considered legally eligible to work in Michigan.</p> <p>See Policies (pg 6-9): If an interpreter desires to work in specialized settings, they must obtain Michigan Endorsements which have separate eligibility requirements for each applicable Endorsement. Endorsements are required to interpret for a</p>	<p>A qualified interpreter must possess a minimum of a bachelor’s degree in any field from an accredited institution or pass an English competency test (TEP). (R 393.5028(3)(a))</p>	<p>Yes. R 393.5041: Upon passing the interpreter test administered by MI or another state with which the division has a reciprocal agreement, the applicant may submit an application to the division for credentialing and listing as a qualified interpreter.</p> <p>View MI BEI Exam application form for more details.</p>	<p>Standard level 3 may work in high-risk environments and must hold credentials listed in R393.5025.</p> <p>See Policies (pg 7): Qualified interpreters with a valid BEI III, DI, CDI, NIC, NIC Advanced, or NIC Master Certificate must submit proof of four years of experience as a certified interpreter.</p> <p>R 393.5054: Student interns must be supervised by a qualified interpreter and may not be used as a substitute for a required qualified team</p>	<p>Practicum yes, Licensure, not sure</p>
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			<p>proceeding in an of the following environments: deafblind, medical or mental health, legal.</p> <p>EIPA is accepted for use in elementary and secondary educational settings and is not recognized as acceptable certification outside of the stated school settings.</p> <p>National certifications or equivalent certification recognized by the RID are recognized by Michigan state.</p> <p>R 393.5022: Standard levels include level 1, level 2, level 3. Only level 3 may provide legal interpreting. Educational standard is also available.</p>			interpreter or to work alone.	
Minnesota	<p>Commission of Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing Minnesotans Golden Rule Building 85 East 7th Place, Ste 105 St. Paul, MN 55101 Mailing address: MNCDHH 444 Lafayette Rd. N</p>	<p>2017 MN Statutes 122A.31</p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators.</p> <p>Certified Educational Interpreters</p>	<p>Educational Interpreter: Must hold current RID certificate, the general level NAD proficiency certificate, or a comparable state certificate</p>			Yes

	<p>St. Paul, MN 55155-3814 (V): 651-431-5961 (VP): 612-361-0321 Fax: 651-431-7587</p> <p>Website: https://mn.gov/deaf-commission/</p> <p>MN Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf PO Box 4414 St. Paul, MN 55104 Email: info@mrid.org</p> <p>Website: https://www.mrid.org/</p>			<p>from the commissioner of education; must complete a training program affiliated with an accredited educational institution (new graduates of an interpreter/transliterators program affiliated with an accredited education institution may be granted a two-year provisional certificate by the commissioner during which time they must be mentored by a certified interpreter.</p>			
Mississippi	<p>3895 Beasley Road Jackson, Mississippi 39213 (601) 898-7052 (voice/tty) - Amy</p>	<p>Senate Bill No. 2715</p> <p>Interpreters in Mississippi must adhere to the</p>	<p>Registration Required</p> <p>Regular Registration Provisional Registration</p>	<p>Qualified Interpreter Definition</p>	<p>Quality Assurance Evaluation for the Interpreter</p>		<p>Yes</p>

	<p>Ainsworth, Staff Interpreter (601) 898-7057 (voice/tty) - Koleshia O'Quinn, Admin. Assistant (601) 898-7056 (voice/tty) - Ben Wagenknecht, Director Fax: (601) 898-7098</p> <p>Emails: aainsworth@mdrs.ms.gov koquinn@mdrs.ms.gov bwagenknecht@mdrs.ms.gov</p> <p>Website: http://www.odhh.org/index.php</p>	Interpreter Registration Law.	Student Registration		Registration Program		
Missouri	<p>Missouri Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 3216 Emerald Lane – Suite B Jefferson City, MO 65109 Phone: 573-526-5205 (V/TTY) Videophone: Z-(573)415-0083; Sorenson-(573)298-6778</p>	<p>Missouri Statutes</p> <p>Rules and Statutes webpage: https://pr.mo.gov/interpreters-rules-statutes.asp</p>	<p>The MCDHH’s Missouri Interpreters Certification System (MICS) is a quality assurance screening system used to certify sign language interpreters within the State of Missouri. Certification is obtained through a written test and a performance test. Each performance test is evaluated by a team of</p>	<p>Be eighteen (18) years of age or older; Have completed a minimum of thirty (30) credit hours from an accredited college or university before taking</p>	<p>Written test and a performance test for certification.</p>		Yes

	<p>Fax: 573-526-5209</p> <p>Website: https://mcdhh.mo.gov/</p> <p>State Committee of Interpreters 3605 Missouri Boulevard PO Box 1335 Jefferson City, MO 65102-1335 Phone: 573-526-7787 TTY: 800-735-2966 Voice Relay: 800-735-2466 Fax: 573-526-0661 Email: interpreters@pr.mo.gov</p> <p>Website: https://pr.mo.gov/interpreters.asp</p> <p>The State Committee of Interpreters will be responsible for promulgating rules for licensure that will include the application, qualifications, required fees, ethical rules of conduct, reciprocity with other states and the procedures for investigating and</p>		<p>trained evaluators on a number of factors and the candidate receives one of five certification levels based on their skill. The MICS is governed by the Board for Certification of Interpreters. MICS certifications may be used by the State Committee of Interpreters to satisfy requirements for licensing.</p> <p>Screening dictates level and where applicant may work.</p> <p>A license is required to practice interpreting with certain professions exempt.</p> <p>Temporary license available.</p> <p>Provisional certificate in education is available if:</p> <p>(a) The applicant possesses a current valid certification in the Missouri interpreters certification system at either the novice or</p>	<p>the written test of English proficiency, and</p> <p>Have earned an associate degree and/or a minimum of sixty (60) credit hours from an accredited college or university before taking the performance examination.</p>			
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	resolving complaints and violations.		<p>apprentice level and holds a valid license to provide interpreting services; or</p> <p>(b) The applicant has submitted an application for certification in the Missouri interpreters certification system and an application for an interpreting license pursuant to sections 209.319 to 209.339 and has taken the written test and performance test or attests that he or she will complete the certification and licensure applications and take the written test within sixty days following the date of application for a provisional certificate in education and will complete the performance test within sixty days following passage of the written test.</p>				
Montana	<p>Montana Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf 8520 Mourning Dove Drive Missoula, MT 59808 Email: media@montanarid.org</p>	<p>Montana Bylaws Administrative Rule</p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators</p>	<p>Certificate or associate degree for entry level; bachelor's degree; advanced</p>	<p>Educational Interpreter Requirements : Rule 10.55.718 – (1) No licensed or</p>		Yes

	<p>Or comedia@montanarid.org Website: https://www.montanarid.org/</p> <p>Montana Dept. of Public Health and Human Services Website: http://dphhs.mt.gov/Disabilities</p>			<p>degree, optional.</p>	<p>classified employee of any school district, cooperative, or contracted service provider shall be regularly assigned to provide educational sign language interpreting for a student(s) unless the employee has demonstrated skills and knowledge, at a 3.5 level or higher, on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) and passed the written portion of the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment. An employee who has not</p>		
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					met the qualifications in (1), but who has demonstrated a competency level of 2.5 or higher on the EIPA or a score commensurate with a competency level of 2.5 or higher on the EIPA Pre-Hire Assessment, may be assigned to provide educational sign language interpreting services. Such individuals shall have three years, from date of initial assignment, or the effective date of this rule, to demonstrate competency as described in (1).		
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					<p>Qualified Sign Language Interpreters: MCA 49-4-507 – The Dept. of Public Health and Human Services maintains the list of qualified and available interpreters. At this time, exams are no longer available to receive certifications. Refer to the website (www.rid.org/rid-certification-overview) for more details.</p>	
Nebraska	<p>Nebraska Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Phone: 800-545-6244 Fax: 402-742-2357 Contact: https://ncdhh.nebraska.gov/keep-in-touch</p>	<p>Nebraska Legislature Licensing webpage</p>	<p>Licensing Requirements – See Section 003.01 – Must hold one of the following: NCI certification awarded by RID (NIC, NIC Advanced or NIC Master); valid interpreter or transliterator certification</p>	<p>High school diploma or equivalent, plus certification requirements.</p>	<p>Quality Assurance Screening Test (QAST) is a state assessment administered by the</p>	<p>No – no provisional time frame.</p>

	<p>Website: https://ncdhh.nebraska.gov/</p>		<p>awarded by RID; valid Level III or higher on the Interpreter Proficiency Certificate awarded by NAD; valid certification Level III, IV or V in Interpreting or Transliterating on the Mid-America Quality Assurance Screening; or another state certification or licensure that is substantially equivalent to one above.</p> <p>In 2005, the Nebraska Legislature passed the Nebraska Sign Language Interpreter law, Nebraska Revised Statute §20-150 through §20-159. These statutes require all state agencies hire only sign language interpreters licensed by the Nebraska Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The law was created to help ensure that effective communication is provided to Deaf or Hard of Hearing consumers, as protected</p>		<p>NCDHH. A QAST credential identifies you as a qualified professional. Interpreters can receive a Level I through a Level 5 rating. The different levels determine which settings an interpreter may be used in. More information may be found here: https://ncdhh.nebraska.gov/qast</p>		
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			<p>by the Americans with Disabilities Act.</p> <p>Effective January 1, 2016, N.R.S. §20-156.01 mandates that sign language interpreters who receive compensation for their services and Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) Service Providers who provide services in Nebraska to hold licensure in the State of Nebraska. Interpreters that are exempt from this law are:</p> <p>interpreters working in the K-12 educational setting, volunteers, emergency situations (interpreters working in an emergency situation is only prohibited until a licensed interpreter arrives), interpreting students (must be under the supervision of a licensed interpreter), interpreters working in the religious setting, and interpreters working under a VRI business license (working for a VRI</p>				
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			provider, who is licensed).				
Nevada	<p>Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division Department of Health and Human Services 3416 Goni Road, Suite D-132 Carson City, NV 89706 Phone: (775) 687-4210 Fax: (775) 687-0574 email: adsd@adsd.nv.gov</p> <p>Website: http://adsd.nv.gov/Programs/Physical/ComAccessSvc/InterpreterRegistry/InterpreterRegistry/</p>	<p>State Laws</p> <p>Adopted Regulations</p>	<p>Chapter 656A of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS 656A) requires that individuals engaged in the practice of interpreting and/or the practice of realtime captioning must register with Aging and Disability Services Division</p>		<p>Regulations for Educational and Legal Interpreters :</p> <p>To apply for registration as an interpreter in an educational setting as an intermediate interpreter, a person must have at least a high school diploma or a general equivalency diploma, hold in good standing a score of 3.1 to 3.9 on the EIPA or achieve a comprehension skill level of 4 on the Educational Sign Skills Evaluation which is valid</p>		Yes

					for 1 year after registration, must pass the written portion of the EIPA, and participate in a plan of mentoring according to these regulations (section 48).	
New Hampshire	<p>Interpreter Licensure Board NH Dept. of Education 101 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301-3494 Phone: 603-271-3494 TDD Access: Relay NH 711 Email: info@doe.nh.gov</p> <p>Website: https://www.education.nh.gov/career/vocational/deaf_hh_interp_lic_board.htm</p>	<p>Licensure Law: http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/XXX/326-I/326-I-mrg.htm</p> <p>Rules: http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/int.html</p>	<p><u>Licensing Requirements</u> : 326-I:7 Licensure Required; Exemptions. – I. No person shall receive remuneration as an interpreter for the deaf or hard of hearing or represent oneself as an interpreter for the deaf or hard of hearing in this state after January 1, 2003, unless such person is licensed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. III. An interpreter for the deaf and hard of hearing certified by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, the National Association of the Deaf, or the New Hampshire Interpreter</p>		<p><u>Legal Interpreters:</u> A qualified interpreter shall be appointed to interpret the proceedings to a deaf person and to interpret or translate his testimony. Qualified interpreter means an interpreter licensed under <u>RSA 326-I</u>.</p>	Yes

			classification process prior to the effective date of this chapter shall be accepted for licensure by the board, at the appropriate license level, without examination, provided that all such certified persons comply with all other requirements of the board under this chapter.				
New Jersey	<p>State Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Dept. of Human Services PO Box 074 Trenton, NJ 08625-0074 Phone: 800-792-8339 Toll free in New Jersey: 609-588-2648 FAX 609-588-2528 Contact: http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddhh/staff/email/index.html</p> <p>Website: http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddhh/home/index.html</p> <p>NJ Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf</p>	<p>NJ Statutes</p> <p>A list of qualified interpreters is maintained by the State Division of the Deaf in the Dept. of Labor.</p>	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators		<p>Educational Interpreter Requirements</p> <p>NJ Administrative Code for Professional Licensure and Standards NJAC 6A:9 includes three types of Educational Interpreting certificates: Standard, Emergency, and County Substitute. Standard certification requirements are HS Diploma or</p>	Yes	

	<p>NJ Dept. of Education Office of Certification and Induction PO Box 500 Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 Phone: 609-376-3500 Contact: https://www.state.nj.us/education/parents/contact.htm Website: http://www.nj.gov/education/educators/license/</p>				<p>GED, national certification from RID or NAD, Score of 3.0 or higher on the EIPA and 15 semester hours of professional education coursework related to educational interpreting.</p>	
New Mexico	<p>New Mexico Signed Language Interpreting Practices Board Toney Anaya Building 2550 Cerrillos Road, 2nd floor Mailing: PO Box 25101 Santa Fe, NM 87504 Phone: 505-476-4622 Fax: 505-476-4620 Email: signlanguage.board@state.nm.us</p> <p>Website: http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/signed_language_interpreting_practices.aspx</p>	Licensure	<p>Licensure Information – NM requires all signed language interpreters to be license in order to protect deaf and hard of hearing consumers. Licenses are issued by the Signed Language Interpreting Practice Board under the Regulation and Licensing Department.</p> <p>Three types of licenses: Community, Educational, and Provisional</p> <p>A one-time five-year provisional license is available for those not meeting the community</p>		Examination Requirements	Yes

			signed language interpreter or educational signed language interpreter requirements for licensure as a signed language interpreter pursuant to the Practice Act, if the person has completed an interpreter education program or prep program.				
New York	<p>RID – NY overview Website: https://www.rid.org/advocacy-overview/state-information-and-advocacy/new-york-state-information/</p> <p>Central New York Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Website: http://www.cnyrid.net/</p>	Judiciary Law	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators.		Requirements for educational interpreters vary by school district		Yes
North Carolina	<p>The NC Interpreter and Transliterator Licensing Board PO Box 20963 Raleigh, NC 27619 Phone: 919-799-5709 Fax: 919-779-5642 Email: NCITLB@caphill.com</p> <p>Website: http://www.ncitlb.org/</p>	<p>Statutes and Rules webpage: http://www.ncitlb.org/statute-rules/</p> <p>Proposed rule: http://www.ncitlb.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/11-2-17Website-Notice.pdf</p>	<p>Licensing Requirements</p> <p>90D-8: Provisional license – certificate issued by the Board enabling a person to perform the functions and duties of an interpreter or transliterator until the person has successfully completed all of the requirements set forth in</p>	<p>90D-7: Meets one of the following criteria: a. Holds a valid National Association of the Deaf (NAD), level 4 or 5 certification.</p>	Legal Requirements		Yes

			GS 90D-7 to gain licensure.	<p>b. Is nationally certified by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc., (RID).</p> <p>c. Holds a valid Testing, Evaluation and Certification Unit, Inc., (TECUnit) national certification in cued language transliteration.</p> <p>d. Holds a quality assurance North Carolina Interpreter Classification System (NCICS) level A or B classification in effect on January 1, 2000.</p> <p>e. Holds a current Cued Language Transliterator State Level Assessment (CLTSLA) level 3 or above classification.</p>			
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North Dakota	<p>ND School for the Deaf/Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing 1401 College Drive North Devils Lake, ND 58301 Phone: 701-665-4400 Email: renae.bitner@sendit.nodak.edu Website: https://www.nd.gov/ndsd/outreach-services/communication-interpreters</p> <p>No licensing board in ND</p>	<p>https://www.nd.gov/ndsd/sites/ndsd/files/documents/outreach/doc/sign-language-nd.pdf</p>	<p><u>Certification Requirements</u> An individual may not practice or represent as an interpreter for deaf, deaf-blind, speech-impaired, or hard of hearing individuals in ND unless the individual holds a valid nationally recognized certification.</p> <p>Exceptions include activities and services of an interpreter intern or student-in-training enrolled in a program of study in interpreting at an accredited institution of higher learning, under the supervision of a certified interpreter as part of a supervised program, and identified as an interpreter intern or student-in-training.</p>		<p>“Nationally recognized certification” means certification granted by a national organization that is based on a skills assessment of the applicant: RID or NAD</p> <p>An individual working in an elementary or secondary school who has passed the EIPA at a level of 3.5 or higher.</p>	<p>An individual who has successfully completed an accredited interpreter training program may work without certification for up to two years if, during that period, the individual is mentored by a certified interpreter or a deaf adult.</p>	Yes
Ohio	<p>OH Dept. of Education 25 South Front Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-4183 877-644-6338 Contact.center@education.ohio.gov</p>	<p><u>Supreme Court of Ohio</u></p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators.</p> <p>Ohio Supreme Court shall appoint a Supreme Court certified sign language interpreter, or if not available, interpreter may</p>		<p><u>Guidelines for Educational Interpreters</u></p> <p>See <u>Court Interpreter Certification Procedure: RID Specialist Certification:</u></p>		yes

			hold a NIC Mater or Advanced Certification, a RID, or a NAD certification.		Legal examination		
Oklahoma	<p>Oklahoma State Dept. of Education Special Education Services Attention: Mark Everhart 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Suite 412 Oklahoma City, OK 73105 Phone: (405) 521-4863</p> <p>Website: http://sde.ok.gov/sde/requirements-educational-interpreters</p>	Oklahoma Legal Interpreter Act	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators	<p>An interpreter training program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Obtained a Bachelor's degree, or o Worked three or more years in an area related to the field of deaf education, which could include interpreting in non-educational settings, such as a church, etc., and 	<p>Educational Interpreters</p> <p>In addition to educational interpreter requirements, must also maintain one of the following certifications: RID, NAD, QAST, NCI, Signed Exact English level 3.5 or better, or EIPA level 3.5 or better.</p>		Yes
Oregon	<p>500 Summer St. NE E-15 Salem, OR 97301</p> <p>Phone: 503-454-6100 Fax: 503-947-4245 E-mail: odhhs.info@state.or.us</p> <p>Website: http://www.oregon.gov/dhs/business-</p>	http://www.oregon.gov/oha/OEI/Documents/Oregon-Qualification-Certification-Sign-Language-Interpreters.pdf	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators</p> <p>Qualified Healthcare:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 18+yrs old o High school diploma, GED, or equivalent o 		Must be RID certified		Yes

	services/odhhs/Pages/index.aspx		<p>Not on Medicaid Exclusion list</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Pass a background check o Abide by NCIHC and RID code of ethics and standards of practice o Submit required application forms o RID Certified <p>Certified Healthcare Interpreter: 18+yrs old</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o High school diploma, GED, or equivalent o Not on Medicaid Exclusion list o Pass a background check o Abide by NCIHC and RID code of ethics and standards of practice o Submit required application forms o RID Certified 				
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Pennsylvania	<p>Melissa Hawkins Director Dee Dee Keiser, Administrative Assistant Phone/TTY: 1-800-233-3008 (PA only) or 717-783-4912 Videophone: 717-831- 1928 Email: sbehun@pa.gov or dkeiser@pa.gov</p> <p>Website:http://www.dli.pa.gov/Individuals/Disability-Services/odhh/Pages/default.aspx</p>	Act 57	<p>Interpreters duly certified by the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) under 42 Pa. C.S. Ch.44 shall be granted automatic certification for the purposes of, and use in administrative proceedings in accordance with 2 Pa. C.S. §§ 562, 582. An interpreter registered with AOPC, but not yet certified, may be considered as an otherwise qualified interpreted for the purposes of, and use in administrative proceedings pursuant to 2 Pa. C.S. §§ 563(b), 583(b)</p> <p>Provisional Interpreters: Graduated within five years of the date of application from an Interpreter Education Program (IEP) with an associate degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education</p> <p>Passed the NAD-RID National Interpreter Certification (NIC) Knowledge test or the</p>		<p>(a) The following examinations are approved as the examination which tests knowledge and proficiency under section 5(a)(1)(iii) of the act (63 P. S. § 1725.5(a)(1)(ii)):</p> <p>(1) NAD National Interpreter Certification.</p> <p>(2) RID Generalist Examinations.</p> <p>(3) NIC.</p> <p>(b) An applicant for any of the approved examinations shall obtain applications directly from and pay the</p>		Yes
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			<p>Certified Deaf Interpreter (CDI) written test</p> <p>Eligible to take and pass the appropriate Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf performance test within 5 years of the date of the results letter.</p>		<p>required examination fee directly to the examination provider.</p>		
Puerto Rico	No information available						
Rhode Island	<p>RI Dept. of Health 3 Capitol Hill Providence, RI 02908 Phone: 401-222-5960 Contact: http://www.health.ri.gov/contact/</p> <p>Website: http://www.health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=227</p>	<p>General Laws – Interpreters for the Deaf</p>	<p>Licensure and Regulations</p> <p>Types:</p> <p>Certified License</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certified Interpreter • Certified Deaf Interpreter <p>Screened License Educational Interpreter</p>		<p>Court Interpreters</p> <p>Educational Interpreters must meet all requirements of a regular license plus complete EIPA, written/performance tests, or a similar test as approved by the board.</p>		Yes
South Carolina	<p>South Carolina RID 311 Buckle Ct. Boiling Springs, SC 29316 Phone: 864-940-4146 Email: Sc.rid.sec@gmail.com</p>	<p>Code of Laws</p> <p>General Bill</p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators</p>				Yes

<p>South Dakota</p>	<p>Dept. of Human Services 3800 East HWY 34 Hillsview Plaza c/o 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501 Phone: 605-773-5990 Janet Ball, Rehabilitation Program Specialist: 605-773-4547</p> <p>Website: http://dhs.sd.gov/default.aspx</p>	<p>Regulations for licensure</p> <p>Provisional Certification: 1-36A-10.4. Provisional certification. The Department of Human Services may issue provisional certification to a person who:</p> <p>(1) Has graduated from a postsecondary degree program of two years or more accredited in interpreter preparation or interpreter education;</p> <p>(2) Participates in a department approved plan of up to five years in preparation for national testing that includes continuing education units and mentoring; and</p> <p>(3) Registers annually with the</p>	<p>Certification level required for medical, education, or legal settings. Any individual registered and certified in SD and holding a level III SD certification, level III NAD certificate, RID certificate, NIC, or a SD provisional certificate, may interpret in all settings except for criminal proceedings or serious medical procedures. An individual certified by the department using the EIPA assessment score of 3.5 or higher may only interpret in elementary and secondary educational settings.</p> <p>Types: Provisional certification</p> <p>Initial registration: Must submit with registration form a current NAD or RID certificate; assessment score of 3.5 or higher on EIPA; or SD interpreter certificate obtained within the previous year and the required contact hours.</p> <p>Annual registration (renewal): renewal of SD</p>		<p>Requirements for legal, medical, and educational interpreters</p> <p>Examination Requirements</p>		<p>Yes</p>
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		<p>department.</p> <p>Provisional certification may be granted for no more than five years.</p>	<p>certificate that has not expired and submits a registration form by 8/31 or each year with either a current NAD or RID certificate; or documentation verifying completion of any of the 80 contact hours required as described in Section 46:31:04:01.</p>				
Tennessee	<p>Tennessee RID Website: http://www.tennrid.org/</p>	<p>State Laws</p> <p>Proposed Bill: Currently being revised. Applicants would need to be 18 years of age, permitted to work in TN and US, complete a criminal background check, and hold active nationally recognized certification or minimum score of 4.0 on the EIPA.</p>	<p>There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators.</p>		<p>Examination to be Court Interpreter</p>		Yes
Texas	<p>Texas Health and Human Services Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services 4900 N. Lamar Austin, TX 78751 PPO Box 12904 Austin, TX 78711 Voice: 512-407-3250</p>	<p>Laws for court Interpreters</p> <p>Administrative Code</p> <p>TX Policies and Rules listing: https://hhs.texas.gov/laws-</p>			<p>Schools that provide interpreting services to students who are deaf or hard of hearing must ensure that</p>		Not sure

	<p>Fax: 512-407-3299 Dhhs.training@hhsc.state.tx.us Interpreter Certification: angela.bryant@hhsc.state.tx.us</p> <p>Website: https://hhs.texas.gov/services/disability/deaf-hard-hearing</p>	<p>regulations/policies-rules</p>			<p>interpreters hold appropriate certification from the Texas Board for Evaluation of Interpreters (BEI) or the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID). Interpreters who have a score of at least 4.0 on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) and meet the RID requirements for certified membership may also be eligible to provide interpreting services (19 TAC §89.1131(d))</p>		
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					For Court Interpreters: Exam orientation course and Court Interpreters exam.		
U.S. Virgin Islands	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not sure
Utah	Utah Interpreter Program 5709 South 1500 West Taylorsville, UT 84123 Phone: 801-263-4875 Voice 801-657-5214 VP Fax: 801-313-6810 Website: http://www.utahinterpreterprogram.org/pages/staff_directory	Laws and Policies Utah Code Title 35A Chapter 13 Part 6 Section 605 : Certification is required to provide interpreter services if federal law requires the interpreter to be certified or qualified. Exemptions : Internships, among others.	Certified Interpreter - Utah certification consists of both a Knowledge Exam and a Performance Exam. You must pass both to become certified. The Interpreter Certification Board (ICB) recommends certification qualifications.	Must be at least 18 years of age. No college degree required at this time. A person must be 18 years of age and have a bachelor's degree to be eligible to take the National Certification Exam.	Exam Certification You must first pass the Knowledge Exam before taking the Performance Exam.		Yes
Vermont		Common Laws	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators				Yes
Virginia	Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 1602 Rolling Hills Drive, Suite 203	https://law.lis.virginia.gov/admincode/title22/agency20/chapter30/section10/	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators. However, individual		A RID (Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf)		Yes

	<p>Henrico, Virginia 23229-5012 Phone: 804-662-9502 V/TTY Toll Free: 800-552-7917 V/TTY</p> <p>Email: Leslie.hutcheson@vddh.h.virginia.gov</p> <p>Website: https://www.vddhh.org/</p>		<p>entities may have their own requirements. Check with the location to see if they have specific requirements. If an individual wants to work for state or local government agencies in VA, they will need to have a Virginia Quality Assurance Screening level II or higher. Otherwise, a VQAS rating or any type of licensure or certification is not required.</p>		<p>certified interpreter holds a National Interpreter Certification (NIC), a national certificate in interpreting (CI), certificate in transliterating (CT) or in both (CSC, comprehensive skills certificate); oral transliterators hold an oral transliterating certificate (OTC).</p> <p>A NAD (National Association of the Deaf) certified interpreter holds a Level IV (Advanced) or V (Master) certificate.</p>		
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					<p>A TECUnit certified transliterator holds a TSC 4 (Expert) or 3 (Competent) certificate in cued speech transliterating .</p> <p>A VQAS (Virginia Quality Assurance Screening) Level III interpreter/transliterator holds a screening level from the Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (VDDHH) that ensures at least 80 percent accuracy in interpreting or transliterating (sign, cued</p>	
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					<p>speech, or oral).</p> <p>A person with a passing score on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) written test and a minimum score of Level 3.5 on the EIPA Performance test meets state qualifications.</p>	
Washington	<p>Washington State Dept. of Social and Health Services Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 4450 10th Ave. SE Lacey, WA 98503 Mailing: POB 45301 Olympia, WA 98504</p> <p>Contact: https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/odhh/contact-odhh</p>	Washington State Legislature	There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators		<p>Examination Requirements</p> <p>Examination Manual</p>	Yes

	<p>Website: https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/office-deaf-and-hard-hearing</p>						
West Virginia	<p>West Virginia Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing 405 Capitol St., Suite 800 Charleston, WV 25301 Phone: 866-461-3578 Fax: 304-558-0937</p> <p>Website: http://www.wvdhhr.org/wvcdhh/interpreters.cfm</p>	<p>Legislative Rule</p>	<p>West Virginia does not require certified interpreters for any legal proceeding; however, the state is beginning an interpreter certification program.</p> <p>Educational Interpreters (Level I - Initial) requires a minimum score of 3.0 on the EIPA; valid NAD certification-Level III or higher, valid RID Certification; OR a valid National Interpreter Certification.</p>	<p>West Virginia does not require certified interpreters for any legal proceeding, however, the state is beginning an interpreter certification program.</p>	<p>Educational Interpreter Requirements : All educational interpreters must register with the WV Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.</p>		Yes
Wisconsin	<p>Department of Health Services 1 West Wilson Street Madison, WI 53703</p> <p>E-mail: DHSwebmaster@dhs.wisconsin.gov General phone number: 608-266-1865 TTY phone number: 711 or 800-947-3529</p>	<p>State Laws Act 360</p>	<p>As of December 1, 2010, all sign language interpreters in Wisconsin are required to be licensed by the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS)</p>	<p>Educational Requirements</p>	<p>Assessment Information</p>		Yes

	Website: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/odhh/index.htm						
Wyoming	Professional Teaching Standards Board 1920 Thomes Avenue, Suite 400 Cheyenne, WY 82002 Phone: 307-777-7291 Fax: 307-777-8718 Website: http://ptsb.state.wy.us/EducationalSignLanguageInterpreterPermit/tabid/247/Default.aspx		There are currently no licensing requirements for sign language interpreters and transliterators		Educational Interpreter Permit Only those interpreters possessing current Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) national certification should perform court and legal interpreting.		Yes

***Course listing and graduation requirements:**

Course Requirements: <http://intranet.bloomu.edu/documents/coe/ASLworksheet.pdf>

Program Outline: <http://intranet.bloomu.edu/documents/coe/ASLOutline.pdf>

Admission, Monitoring, and Exit Criteria: <http://intranet.bloomu.edu/documents/coe/ASL.pdf> – Must successfully pass the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. National Interpreter Certification Knowledge Exam (written test) to graduate, among other requirements.

Interpreting Resources: <http://intranet.bloomu.edu/asl/links>

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