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Indiana does not have a licensure for sign language interpreters. However, there are some certifications available in Indiana that enable interpreters to work for that agency or organization.

<u>State Agencies</u>: Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services monitors the Indiana Interpreting Certificate (IIC). The IIC allows an interpreter to accept assignments for state agencies. For example: Vocational Rehabilitation, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, TANIF/SNAP benefits, etc. Please contact <u>DHHShelp@fssa.in.gov</u> for more information.

<u>Vocational Rehabilitation</u>: Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) works directly with vendors (interpreters) who are registered in the Claims Portal System. If you are interested in working as an interpreter for VR, you will need to register in the VR-CPS system as a Sole Proprietor. <u>Please click here.</u> If you need additional assistance, please reach out to Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services at <u>DHHShelp@fssa.in.gov</u>.

Educational Interpreters: Department of Education has outlined that educational interpreters must have an EIPA rating of 3.5 or above. <u>To learn more, click here.</u>

<u>Court Interpreters</u>: The Office of Judicial Administration has outlined that sign language interpreters must be Court certified. <u>To learn more, click here.</u>

Other Interpreting opportunities:

<u>Medical Interpreters</u>: Currently, there is no certification required to work in the medical field. However, **qualified** interpreters are a must! Check with the interpreting agency in your area to learn of the qualifications and requirements for working in the medical field.

<u>Community Interpreting</u>: As stated above Indiana does not have a licensure program to work in the state of Indiana. If you are a qualified community interpreter, please reach out to any local interpreting agency to review their requirements and your qualifications, certifications, and experience to learn what situations deemed acceptable.

DHHS strongly advocates for all Indiana interpreters to strive for national certification and to continue to develop their experience and skills. Although, the BEI and EIPA are not national certifications, any interpreter holding these degrees can inform DHHS of these achievements.

