



Mission Statement

NMCDHH provides effective leadership, education, advocacy & programs to reduce barriers to the social, economic, educational, cultural & intellectual well-being of Deaf & Hard of Hearing New Mexicans, their families, friends & colleagues.



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New Mexico Commission for Deaf & Hard of Hearing



*Impacting &
Empowering
Communication Access*



The State of New Mexico Commission for Deaf & Hard of Hearing (NMCDHH) was established by the New Mexico Legislature (NMSA 1978 §28-11B-2) to promote services for Deaf, Deaf-Blind & Hard of Hearing persons throughout New Mexico. We have two departments to serve our consumers.

Community Advocacy

◇ **Individual & Systems Advocacy**

Provides advocacy for individuals in employment, agencies & businesses and assists in removing communication barriers in systems such as healthcare and government.

◇ **Public Policy Development**

Implements Public Policy related to hearing loss and identifies issues related to Deaf, Deaf-Blind, and Hard of Hearing New Mexicans.

◇ **Information & Referral**

Provides resources for hearing loss, technology, hearing aids & more. Promotes agency through various outreach events.

◇ **iPad@Program**

Loans iPads® for telecommunications at no cost for qualified applicants.

◇ **Telecommunication Equipment Distribution Program**

Loans equipment at no cost to qualified New Mexico residents who need assistance communicating on the telephone.

◇ **Telecommunication Relay Service**

Contract Administrator for Relay New Mexico and monitors quality control under FCC Regulations.



◇ **Community Education**

Provides presentations and trainings related to Deaf Sensitivity, ADA, Effective Communication and more to agencies, organizations and communities all over New Mexico.

Community Engagement

◇ **New Mexico Mentoring**

Mentoring program for licensed New Mexico signed language interpreters.

◇ **Professional Development Contracts**

Statewide professional development programs for New Mexico signed language interpreters.

◇ **Professional Development Collaborative**

Collaboration with other entities to provide coordinated interpreter professional development opportunities.

◇ **Liaison to the Signed Language Interpreting Practices Board**

More information at:
www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Signed_Language_Interpreting_Practices.aspx.

◇ **NMCDHH Library**

Resources available for loan statewide.

◇ **Transition Services**

Assisting students successfully navigate to life after high school.

◇ **Social Media and Website**

Sharing information with our constituents through our online presence.

◇ **Contract Management**

Conducting requests for proposals for services to assist our constituents.

◇ **Special Projects**

Increasing access to legal, behavioral health, and other services.

◇ **Interpreter Apprenticeship Program**

In-house program for pre-certified interpreters working toward certification.

◇ **Communication Access**

Services for our staff and their clients.