

# New Mexico Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons Awards Contract to WeInterpret.Net



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*We Interpret.Net a Sign Language Interpreting agency based in Maryland, and a local office Albuquerque has been awarded a contract to provide interpreting coordination and related services to the citizens of New Mexico. The agency has hired local, nationally certified interpreters to manage the office and provide interpreter coordination, mentorship and education as needed.*

Albuquerque, New Mexico - June 22, 2009 - We Interpret.Net has signed a contract with the New Mexico Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons. Their local office is located at 6100 Seagull St. NE Suite B105 (Seagull Office Plaza) in Albuquerque, NM. We Interpret.Net along with its partner company, We Interpret Linked, both headquartered in the state of Maryland has been providing Sign Language Interpreting services since 1996 primarily on the East Coast. This new contract affords the citizens of New Mexico with state wide quality interpreting service coordination, internship opportunities for new interpreters, education and outreach, and emergency hospital service coordination in Las Cruces.

WeInterpret.Net is also a sponsor for Continuing Education Credits through the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf. In addition to the management staff, full time interpreters, both Deaf and Hearing, will be hired. Individuals who would like to sub contract to provide

Interpreting services are encouraged to register at [www.WeInterpret.Net](http://www.WeInterpret.Net).

Appropriate communication methods vary by individual and We Interpret.Net can provide interpreters skilled in American Sign Language, Signed English, The Rochester Method, Cued Speech, Oral Interpretation and Tactile Methods for the Deaf/Blind individuals. In specific areas of New Mexico interpreters are in short supply. In addition to the on-site interpreters who will be directed from this office, there is a call center in Owings Mills, Maryland to provide Video Interpreting in the rural parts of the state. "Office staff who are also certified interpreters, along with our Video Interpreting solution allow the agency to respond to every request with qualified interpreters even on the busiest of days or during the overnight and weekend hours." Stated Deb McKerrow, Director of New Mexico operations.

### **About**

### **WeInterpret.Net**

Maryland Interpreting Services, a Maryland corporation doing business as We Interpret.Net ([www.WeInterpret.Net](http://www.WeInterpret.Net)) and We Interpret Linked ([www.WeInterpretLinked.com](http://www.WeInterpretLinked.com)) was established in 1996. Owner and President, David Stephenson is a nationally certified interpreter. Since its establishment, it has provided some 6 million hours of interpreting services to some 900 customers through offices in Utah, Virginia, Maryland and New Mexico. Staff Interpreters and Independent Sub-Contractors numbering over 1000 provide on-site and Video Remote Interpreting.

### **About New Mexico Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons**

The State of New Mexico, Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons provides effective leadership, education, advocacy and programs to reduce barriers to the social, economic, educational, cultural and intellectual well - being of Deaf and Hard of Hearing New Mexicans and their families, friends and colleagues. ([www.cdhh.state.nm.us](http://www.cdhh.state.nm.us))

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