

“As long as we have deaf people on earth, we will have signs.”
George Veditz, 1913. (Former President of National Association



The United States Department of Health and Human Services estimates that 8.6% of people in the United States are deaf or hard of hearing. The Commission estimates that, as of July 2012, there are more than 446,000 deaf and hard of hearing people in Colorado. CCDHH exists to promote equivalent communication access for all Coloradans.



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THE RIGHT TO COMMUNICATE IS A FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHT

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Who We Are

Americans recognize communication rights as inalienable. The Colorado Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CCDHH), a unit within the Division of Boards and Commissions of the Colorado Department of Human Services, recognizes communication as an essential human need and American right. Outreach and Consultative Services provides training and consultation to public, and private entities to ensure communication access.



CCDHH Mission

To be an agent of change for a sustainable statewide network of resources dedicated to cultural and linguistic equality.

What We Do

COMMUNICATION ACCESS ASSESSMENT

The Communication Access Assessment is a communication assessment tool that the Commission uses with agencies and organizations who request assistance to build capacity for service provision to deaf or hard of hearing individuals.

Trainings and Consultation

Auxiliary Services and Aids:

Learn about regulations and resources relative to the use of auxiliary services and aids for communication access.

Cultural and Linguistic Competencies:

Learn about the competencies needed to make services culturally affirmative and linguistically accessible.



Laws and Regulations: Learn about the federal and state laws and regulations that mandate access to communication.

Effective Communication Access to Programs and Services: Learn how to provide equivalent access to communication.

Community Advocacy: Deaf and hard of hearing individuals learn about their legal rights, and about resources for self-advocacy.



CCDHH Vision

We envision a barrier-free Colorado.