

What does a Collaborative Team Approach mean in providing culturally affirmative best practices?

- Consult with professionals who are able to provide a cultural lens to a meaningful investigative process.
- Understanding the ADA and the required use of interpreters.
- Understanding the role of an interpreter
- When multiple service systems are involved, engage in 2 way communication with service providers, minimize duplicate services, and monitor plan progress in a team approach for positive outcomes.

DCF Authorized Interpreter Providers

Department Of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Interpreting Unit

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VP: 860-899-1674

Fax: 860-231-8746

After Hours Interpreting Emergencies

888-308-9504

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Formerly FSW

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Bridgeport, CT 06605

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Toll free and emergency

888-676-8554

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Link to Life Bridge Interpreter Request form
<http://www.lifebridgect.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/Sign-Language-Interpreter-Req-Form.pdf>

If you have any questions, please contact the
Office of Multicultural Affairs:
860-550-6569



Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Families

A Collaborative Team Approach to support family members who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, or Children of Deaf Adults while addressing children's safety and well being.

A working partnership between parents, children, and the team.

Deaf/Hard of Hearing Providers

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Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services

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