



# RECONNECTING WITH THE DEAF COMMUNITY



The New Mexico Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing and Rio Grande Communication Access are pleased to offer a no-cost community-driven workshop designed to reconnect interpreters with the purpose, privilege, and impact of their work. We aim to foster a renewed sense of professional pride, accountability, and collaboration through relationship-building, Deaf-led insight, and shared problem solving. To create a productive learning environment, we have a zero-tolerance policy for any discriminatory comments.

Through an advocacy presentation by Corina Gutierrez and a panel of consumers with lived experience, participants will identify:

Behaviors that enhance Deaf consumers' autonomy, communication access, and self-advocacy

Systemic barriers that commonly arise in interpreted environments

An actionable strategy to foster stronger relationships with Deaf individuals and affirm the privilege of interpreting

As a Master Deaf Self-Advocacy (DSA) Trainer, Corina has led extensive trainings for Deaf and Hard of Hearing community members on how to navigate interpreted settings, communicate expectations, and build effective working relationships with interpreters.

When: March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 9:00am to 12:00pm

Where: NMCDHH - 505 Marquette Ave NW 87102, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor

Event will not be recorded or livestreamed.

Event will be in ASL and spoken English. Interpreters provided.

Limited to 25 seats.

Please email [Amy.Bourque@cdhh.nm.gov](mailto:Amy.Bourque@cdhh.nm.gov) to register, cancel, or request accommodations.

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