

2014 - 2015 Calendar

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (DHS) Free DIVERSITY Trainings

SEPTEMBER 2014

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Dispelling the Myths: Deaf and Hard of Hearing 101

Sept. 17, 11:30-1:30 (Space limited)
Location: St. Paul Area

Did you know that 1 out of 5 Americans has a hearing loss? There is great diversity found among people with a hearing loss. Learn more about people who are Culturally Deaf, "little d" deaf, late-deafened, DeafBlind, and hard of hearing.

OCTOBER 2014

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Hard of Hearing in the Workplace October 7, 1:30-3:30 Statewide Video Conference

There are nearly 29 million people with a hearing loss in the U.S. work force or educational setting! This workshop will identify effective communication strategies, helpful assistive technology, and valuable resources to help the employer and employee.

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Deaf Culture Nov. 20, 1:30-3:30 GRB

Learn more about the vibrant Deaf Community-its history, values, norms, and traditions. Participants will also be exposed to language and communication challenges that impact persons who are deaf in family settings, on the job, and in everyday life.

DECEMBER 2014

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Hearing Loss: National Health Alert! Dec. 11, 1:30-3:30 p.m. 444 Room 3146

Hearing loss is a growing public health issue. During this workshop you will gain an awareness of the impact of hearing loss and some strategies to use when working or living with a person who is hard of hearing or late-deafened.

JANUARY 2015

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Beginning Sign Language Jan. 15, 9:30-11:30 ELA Room 2370

Learn basic signs and become familiar with some of the characteristics of American Sign Language. Gain an understanding of the importance of gestures, mimes, and reading facial expressions and body language.

FEBRUARY 2015

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Deaf Panel Feb. 19, 9:30-11:30 Statewide Video Conference

Deaf panelists will share their "life stories" as individuals with a hearing loss, and their personal philosophies on hearing loss related issues. Learn about the difference between "Big D" and "little d" deaf and what it means to be "culturally deaf" vs. "late-deafened".

Location Key

* ELA- Elmer L. Andersen Building, 540 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN

** 444 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN

*** GRB - Golden Rule Building, Suite 105, 85 E. 7th Place, St. Paul, MN

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March 11, 1:30-3:30
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JUNE 2015

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Immersion into the World of Hearing Loss (Deaf, Deaf World)
TBD, 2 1/2 hours

Set your destination for a world where all citizens are Deaf, DeafBlind or hard of hearing. In this interactive experience encounter communication challenges and learn effective communication strategies. Your journey includes "listening to" a panel of experts followed by a group discussion.

APRIL 2015

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Mental Health Services in the Deaf Community
April 15, 9:30-11:30
Statewide Video Conference

Learn about unique mental health needs that are often found in the Deaf Community including communication and cultural concerns. Also learn why it's so important to work with a specialized mental health interpreter.

MAY 2015

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Registration Information:

Phone: (651) 431-5940 (voice or your preferred relay service)
Email: dhhs.metro@state.mn.us

Please provide the following information when registering:

-Name
-Title & Date of training
-Phone number
-Employer & Job Title
-Email address

NOTE: Trainings are held at multiple locations. Check training info for locations.

State employees and partnering agencies are invited to attend and can register through the [DHS Central Office Learning Center](#). If you do NOT have a unique key on Pathlore (CO Learning Management System) you may still register, but need to do so by contacting Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services directly. Call (651) 431-5940 or e-mail dhhs.metro@state.mn.us

Accommodations

If you need a sign language interpreter, assistive listening device (ALD), or other accommodation, you must notify DHHS at least two weeks prior to the training session.

This information is in accessible formats for individuals with disabilities by calling (651) 431-5940 or by using your preferred relay service.