







# **ODHH**

Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Supporting individuals in Wisconsin who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind

### What do we do?

The Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (ODHH) provides unbiased information and connects people who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind to resources available in Wisconsin.

ODHH works to destigmatize hearing loss and promotes equitable communication access for people who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind.

To meet our team, go to <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/odhh/staff/index.htm">www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/odhh/staff/index.htm</a>.





ODHH staff are members of the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind community who bring a wealth of knowledge, resources, and tools that can help you, including:

- · Accessibility laws and best practices.
- · Assistive technologies.
- · Captioning services (CART).
- · Communication considerations.
- · Hearing technologies.
- · Sign language interpreters.





### **ODHH** programs and services

### Board for Evaluation of Interpreters (BEI)

The BEI is a written and performance test for sign language interpreters in Wisconsin.

### Behavioral Health Initiative (BHI)

The BHI develops behavioral health resources and trainings for clinicians, interpreters, and community members.

#### Service fund

The service fund provides funding for interpreting and captioning services when state or federal laws do not apply.

## Statewide disability benefit specialist (DBS)

The DBS provides information and assistance with public and private benefit programs, including applications and appeals.

### Telecommunications Assistance Program (TAP)

TAP helps low-income Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind individuals purchase telecommunications devices.

### Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CDHH)

CDHH is a governor-appointed group of nine Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind community members who come together to advise the Department of Health Services and advocate for the needs of these communities. Learn more about CDHH at

www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/ dhhcouncil/index.htm.

To access the information in this brochure in American Sign Language, scan the QR code to the left or visit <a href="https://voutu.be/zL75">https://voutu.be/zL75</a> oaHuG4.

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