California

Standards

Schools:  EIPA 4+, NAD 4+, NIC, ESSE
Courts:  Nat'l or State  *RID SC:L (national) and CCASDHH (state) Legal Certificate are mandated as the only certifications authorized by CA Judicial Council. Thus the law mandates specialist legal certification from either organization before one can work in the courts.

State Agencies:  Nat'l
Medical:  Nat'l
All Venues:  Nat'l

Licensure:  No, but certification is required through regional, non-profit agencies.

Governing Body:  While not a governing body, Department of Social Services' Office of Deaf Access: Deaf Access Program ensures that State and local government programs are adapted to meet the communication needs of individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing. CA Dept. of Education governs Educational Interpreters.

Website(s):  Educational Interpreter Regulations [1]
Department of Social Services stance on interpreters [2]
Office of Deaf Access [3]
Deaf Access Program [4]

Qualifications:  By July 1, 2009, and thereafter, an educational interpreter shall be certified by the national RID, or equivalent; in lieu of RID certification or equivalent, an educational interpreter must have achieved a score of 4.0 or above on the EIPA, the ESSE-I/R, or the NAD/ACCI assessment. If providing Cued Language transliteration, a transliterator shall possess TEC Unit certification, or have achieved a score of 4.0 or above on the EIPA - Cued Speech. According to Department of Social Services: An interpreter should be certified by either the Registry of the Interpreters for the Deaf (RID), the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) or the American Consortium of Certified Interpreters (ACCI).

Special Provisions:  There is a waiver for not meeting the standards.

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