Become an Oregon Qualified Health Care Interpreter



ODS Community Dental is pleased to announce that we are awarding 20 full scholarships to support clinical staff to become Oregon Health Authority (OHA) qualified interpreters.

Click here to apply for the Scholarship or contact: odslangaccess@odscommunitydental.com for more information.

Health Care Interpreter Training Program

More than ever, medical interpreting has become essential in closing the health care disparities gap and critical to providing quality care.

OHA requires that all bilingual staff providing interpreting services at clinical encounters must be OHA qualified or certified interpreters.

What do you need to know about this program?

- Offered to bilingual staff.
- Prepares students for interpreting in health care settings.
- 60-hour self-paced online training.
- Meets the requirements to become an OHA qualified interpreter.

What does the ODS scholarship include?

- One language proficiency test
- 60-hour healthcare interpreting training. This is a 48-hour self-paced online training and 3 over the phone Instructor Led Sessions (ILS) (12-hour total).

How do I know if I am eligible?

- You must be at least 18 years of age.
- You must have a high school diploma (or GED equivalent) or higher.

You must not be on the Medicaid exclusion list: http://exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/.

Important: Before enrolling to the 60-hour healthcare interpreter training, applicants must have proof of English and non-English language proficiency. ODS is offering one proficiency test per applicant.

To learn about the language proficiency requirements for English and the non-English language as set by the Medicaid Oregon Health Authority's office of Equity and Inclusion visit Oregon Health Care Interpreter Program Requirements (state.or.us) pages 2 and 3.

