

WEST VIRGINIA COMMISSION FOR  
THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

## Workshops for Educational Interpreters and Teachers of the Deaf



Summer 2009

### How to Register to Take the EIPA

WVCDHH is a Local Test Administrator for the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessments (EIPA). The West Virginia Department of Education Policy 5205 mandates that educational interpreters must achieve a score of 3.0 on the EIPA by 2008 and 3.5 by 2010 to work in the school system. The EIPA takes about two hours to complete including a warm-up period. The cost is \$250, payable to Boys Town National Research Hospital. The Commission does not charge a fee.

To schedule your test, contact Roy Forman at 1-866-461-3578 or email, [Roy.B.Forman@wv.gov](mailto:Roy.B.Forman@wv.gov). For more information about the EIPA visit [www.classroominterpreting.org/EIPA](http://www.classroominterpreting.org/EIPA).

WVCDHH is an approved RID CMP sponsor for continuing education activities.



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## Scheduled Workshops

Registrations accepted by mail only. Please include a check for each workshop made payable to: WVCDHH

### Cities/Towns/States and Evolution of Deaf Culture

**Date:** July 25, 2009  
**Location:** Fairmont State University  
**Time:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
**CEU:** .6  
**Workshop Limit:** 25  
**Presenter:** RUBY LOSH

**Morning:** Participants will learn signs for the cities/towns/states utilized for classes such as history, geography, social studies, etc.

**Afternoon:** This session will include the history of deaf culture, deaf biography, deaf technology, deaf society life, and deaf education from the 1800's to the present.

**No interpreters will be provided. A working knowledge of ASL is necessary.**

Ruby Losh is currently employed as the Coordinator of the American Sign Language Communication Program at Pierpont Community & Technical College. She holds a bachelors of science degree in Business Administration and an associate of applied science degree in information processing from Fairmont State College. She has taught at Pierpont for 12 years.

### I Got My EIPA Scores - Now What?

**Date:** August 1, 2009 (Charleston) or September 26, 2009 (Clarksburg)  
**Time:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
**CEU:** .6  
**Workshop Limit:** 25  
**Presenter:** TRACIE BRYANT

This workshop will explore the skills needed to be successful in the classroom as well as on the EIPA assessment. The scores received after taking the assessment can be confusing. The scoring topics will be explained and ways to improve those skills will be addressed. As always, we will have lots of fun while learning how to do a better job interpreting for the students in our state!

Tracie Bryant has been an educational interpreter for over 20 years. She is a mentor for the West Virginia Mentorship Program and has taught sign language for over 15 years. She is certified with RID as an Educational Interpreter.

### Silent Saturday

**Date:** August 22, 2009  
**Location:** FRP Building, Division of Rehabilitation  
**Time:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
**CEU:** .6  
**Workshop Limit:** 30  
**Presenter:** DONNA WHITTINGTON  
CONNIE PITMAN

This workshop is just as it sounds-6 hours of silence-communicating via sign language. We will utilize activities including games, partner practice, team projects, role play and interpreting focusing on both expressive and receptive skills. This workshop will be an interactive experience so come to have hands up and voice off!

**Lunch: We will order pizza. Please bring a few dollars to contribute for lunch.**

Donna has been employed by the Division of Rehabilitation Services as a teacher for the deaf for 8 years and as an interpreter for 26 years. She has been certified since 1984 and is EIPA certified. Donna is also a sign language instructor and Mentor for the WV Mentorship Program.

Connie has been employed since 1976 by the Division of Rehabilitation Services first as a secretary and then as an interpreter. She has been certified since 1984 and is EIPA certified. Connie has interpreted in a variety of sessions, is a sign language instructor and is also a Mentor.

### Workshop Registration

Sign up for:	Date	Location
<input type="checkbox"/> Cities & Culture	July 25	Fairmont
<input type="checkbox"/> EIPA Scores	Aug. 1	Charleston
<input type="checkbox"/> Silent Saturday	Aug. 22	Institute
<input type="checkbox"/> EIPA Scores	Sept. 26	Clarksburg

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**Advance Registration Required:** To reserve a space, send a check for \$20 for each workshop. Your check(s) will be returned to you at the end of each workshop. Anyone who registers, does not attend and fails to cancel will have his or her check deposited. **Refund Policy:** Full refunds provided with a 5 day notice of cancellation. No refunds given with less than 5 days notice.