



Serving the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Hearing Communities

(Formerly the League for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing & EAR Foundation)

Hearing Bridges (HB) is a not-for-profit agency uniting the Deaf, the Hard of Hearing and the Hearing communities through education, programs, services, and support to empower individuals to achieve their full potential..



The Comprehensive Care Center (CCC) is a private, not-for-profit outpatient medical facility dedicated to advancing and coordinating care, research, and treatment of people living with HIV infection.

“HIV Training for the Interpreter: Increasing Knowledge & Reducing Stigma”

HB and CCC are partnering to present a FREE workshop for medical interpreters on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at Hearing Bridges, 415 Fourth Avenue South in downtown Nashville. HB is a tan brick building on the corner of Fourth Avenue and Peabody Street.

Workshop description: The purpose of this training is to increase medical interpreters’ knowledge of HIV and AIDS, treatment protocols, and terminology used by medical staff in order to assist the interpreter in his/her role during a patient’s visit with service providers. The presenter will also discuss strategies for addressing stigma and discrimination of HIV positive persons in non-English speaking minority populations. The presentation will familiarize attendees with the services of the Comprehensive Care Center in Nashville.

Educational objectives: Following the lecture material and use of video examples, participants will demonstrate their understanding of the basics of HIV, including transmission, treatment, and related terminology through group discussion and question/answer time. In addition, attendees are expected to apply HIV-related terminology and concepts to future interpreting sessions in order to provide clearer, more accurate interpretations. Participants will be able to explain the importance of addressing stigma and discrimination in the LEP (Limited English Proficient) communities. Participants will also learn the services offered by the CCC in Nashville and its location.

About the presenter: Victoria L. Harris, Ed.D. is the Director of Education at the Comprehensive Care Center and the Tennessee AIDS Education & Training Center. She received her B.S. and M.Ed. from the University of Memphis in TN, then pursued her Ed.D. at the University of North Texas, graduating in 1983. She has been a professor at Meharry Medical College and at the Peabody College of Vanderbilt University, both in Nashville. Ms. Harris has presented and led trainings in a multitude of settings over the past 20+ years on the topic of HIV. She has also co-authored numerous medical abstracts and publications including “Increased Viral Load and Suicidal Ideation in an HIV-Infected Patient” in the *Annals of Internal Medicine*.



This training is worth 0.2 CEU in Professional Studies at the “Some” Content Level of knowledge. JCIL Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services is an approved RID CMP Sponsor for Continuing Education Activities.



To participate in this FREE training opportunity, please RSVP by March 5th by contacting Laurie Cribb at LC@hearingbridges.org or by calling 615-248-8828 ext. 14.

This workshop will be presented in spoken English. Persons needing “reasonable accommodations” to participate fully in this training please submit your requests in writing via email to LC@hearingbridges.org by March 1, 2010. Hearing Bridges cannot guarantee that requests received with fewer than two weeks notice can be filled.