

# Scheduling a Sign Language Interpreter

1. If you will need an interpreter, request as early as possible. There is generally an extra fee for last-minute requests.
2. For appointments less than 2 hours, you may only need one interpreter. For more than 2 hours, unless there are a lot of breaks, you will need two interpreters.
3. A list of certified interpreters and their contact information is maintained at the Division of Rehabilitation Services website. Some are freelance interpreters that can be hired directly by your agency. You can find the list here by clicking on the “South Dakota Interpreter Registry” : <https://dhs.sd.gov/en/rehabilitation-services/interpreters-for-people-who-are-deaf-or-hard-of-hearing>
4. There are 3 interpreting agencies that serve western South Dakota. You can find their contact information below. Interpreters can be available at all hours as needed for emergencies, and these agencies have the greatest numbers of interpreters to contact to ensure someone will be available to come.



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GrateInterpreting@gmail.com

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(605) 906-7900 (Voice/text)



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(916) 300-0648

**ISI, LLC.**



**Email:**

kasey@interpreterservicesinc.com

**Phone:**

(605) 331-7800 (Voice)

5. You can also contact SD Deaf Resource & Outreach Programs (SD DROP) offices for assistance.

## **SD DROP of Sioux Falls**

524 N Sycamore Ave, Ste 2  
Sioux Falls, SD 57110  
(605) 362-2618

## **SD DROP of Rapid City**

2310 N Maple Ave  
Rapid City, SD 57701  
(605) 394-6864

## **SD DROP of Aberdeen**

14 S Main St, Spe 305  
Aberdeen, SD 57401  
(605) 626-2668