

ADULT OUTREACH SERVICES

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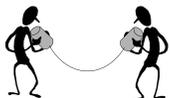
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We Provide
Statewide
Services



Mission Statement:

Shall serve as a State Resource Center to provide advocacy, leadership, and educational expertise for all individuals in North Dakota who are deaf or hard of hearing.

WE SERVE...

Adult North Dakotans who are:

- ❖ Deaf
- ❖ Hard of Hearing
- ❖ Late-deafened
- ❖ Older adults with hearing loss
- ❖ Family members of those with hearing loss
- ❖ Public and private agencies
- ❖ Employers and community groups



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The Adult Outreach Services Program at the North Dakota School for the Deaf/ Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing advocates on behalf of people who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing to promote opportunity and independence. Adult Outreach Services shall strive to:

- ❖ ensure that communication and services are accessible
- ❖ increase awareness of needs of people who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing to the general public

Information and Consultation

Adult Outreach Services provides current information and resources on hearing loss that include:

- ❖ lists of community, state and national organizations that provide services to people with hearing loss such as: assistive technology providers, information regarding sign language interpreters and captioning providers
- ❖ information about hearing loss, self advocacy and communication needs
- ❖ information on compliance regarding the *Americans with Disabilities Act* (ADA); rights of individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing as well as responsibilities of service providers to ensure equal access



Assistive Technology

Adult Outreach Services work in collaboration with various agencies and programs throughout the state to access devices such as; amplified and caption phones, alerting systems, fire and smoke alarms, personal listening devices, doorbell flashers, as well as other assistive devices for the home and/or work environment.

Library Resources

The library/media center at the NDSD/ RCDHH offers a comprehensive collection of books, magazines and audio-visuals on an array of deafness-related topics. These resources are available for loan through the NDSD/RCDHH library. The librarian may be contacted at: 701-665-4433.

Educational Presentations

Adult Outreach Services provides training sessions to increase the public's awareness of hearing loss, the availability of assistive technology devices and the importance of access for people who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing.

Presentation topics may include:

- ❖ impact of hearing loss and communication tips
- ❖ Deaf Culture, American Sign Language, and how to obtain and work with an interpreter
- ❖ promoting safety through home modification for older adults with hearing loss
- ❖ working with assistive technology, including use of videophones and relay services
- ❖ overview of the Americans with Disabilities Act

