

To all Washington Medical Interpreters—

The profession of medical interpreting has become more demanding over the last five years. Health care itself has become more technical, and the science of medicine continues to increase in precision.

When a medical interpreter walks into the room today, both the patient and the care team EXPECT the interpreter to understand the content of what is discussed, as well as to be able to manage the communication pattern effectively. The medical interpreter is also EXPECTED to maintain the highest ethical standards of professional behavior and to follow basic safety rules such as infection control.

Right now, the CCHI-- Certification Commission for Healthcare Interpreters- --is conducting a national Job Task Analysis. This is a survey of working medical interpreters to ask them which skills and knowledge they need every day as an interpreter today.

Please participate in the national Job Task Analysis if you are a medical interpreter, certified or not.

The survey takes between half an hour to 40 minutes to complete. Each question asks whether a specific skill or knowledge is needed by any new medical interpreter today, from day one, or is less critical than that.

The link below leads directly to the Job Task Analysis survey.

[https://www.research.net/r/CCHI\\_Survey](https://www.research.net/r/CCHI_Survey).

The survey ends June 20<sup>th</sup>, so please participate as soon as possible! Please also share this URL with any other interpreters you know.