I am a Deaf, British Sign Language User

This Passport is to help you understand my Communication and Language so I have full access to information about my medical needs.

My name is:

I might have a 'Sign-name'

I have... (Please tick)

- ... a Deaf Community Officer (DCO)
- ... a Social Worker

They can be contacted at **Deaf Services**, **By Sight for Surrey:** Voice line: **01372 377701** SMS: **07860 026269** Skype ID: **sensory.services**

FaceTime: dutysw@sensoryservices.org.uk



Emergency contact details

Name:

Relationship to me:

Telephone number (SMS only):

Email address:

(Please tick) My first language is British Sign Language (BSL)	
l communicate using Sign Supported English (SSE) International Sign Language 'Hands-on' Sign Language	
I have a combined sight and hearing loss	
I must have a BSL Interpreter to communicate	
I can communicate with written notes	
I cannot understand lip reading - please do not rely on this to communicate with me	
I have a hearing aid(s) a Cochlear Implant(s) a Bone-anchored hearing aid(s)	
You can book me an NRCPD registered Interpreter via Interpreting & Communicating Services:	
Dedicated interpreting voice line: 01372 869967 SMS: 07464 549406 Fax: 01372 353500 Skype ID: interpreting.sensoryservices	
Email: interpreting@sensoryservices.org.uk	

Important information about me

(Please tick)		
Hearing Aids (include batteries)	Yes	No
Diabetes	Yes	No
Mental Health	Yes	No
Epilepsy	Yes	No
Asthma	Yes	No
Stroke	Yes	No
Usher syndrome	Yes	No
Glasses	Yes	No
Magnifier	Yes	No
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Medication (If yes, please specify)	Yes	No
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Medication (If yes, please specify)	Yes	No
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Medication (If yes, please specify)	Yes	No

Religion: (Please specify)

GP name:

GP address:

GP telephone number:

More about me

Tips:

Please do...



... be aware of lighting and positioning when communicating with me. Lighting behind you makes it difficult for me to see your face.



... make sure you have my **attention** before you communicate with me.



... keep your face visible.





... use pen and paper to communicate **simple** information (NOT complex things).

Please don't...



... cover your mouth.



... shout.



... **assume** I can see the Interpreter. If I am lying down or have had eye drops, for example, it will be difficult to see the Interpreter.



... wait until after my treatment to explain all I need to know.

Interpreters - rules for easy use



Please do...

- NOT to the Interpreter.

... allow the Interpreter to sit opposite the Deaf person and near the hearing person talking / conducting the meeting.

... make sure the Interpreter can see the Deaf person clearly.

... try to ensure that there is no background noise, so the Interpreter can hear properly.

... send ANY useful information to the Interpreter well before the appointment or meeting, to give them time to prepare.

... remember the Interpreter will interpret EVERTHING that is said or signed.

... book two Interpreters for an event lasting half a day or longer.



Please don't...

... allow more than one person to speak at a time.

... expect an Interpreter to work continuously for more than 30-45 minutes, allow regular breaks.

... feel uncomfortable if the Deaf person looks at the Interpreter, rather than you.

... ask the Interpreter to give advice or offer opinions during the interpreting task.

... ask the Interpreter for personal details during the interpreting task (i.e. information you may think the Interpreter has having worked with client previously, they are bound under a code of ethics and confidentiality)

> ... expect the Interpreter to take sides, they will remain neutral.

Useful signs



Pain



Need an Interpreter



Water

Hot / cold food

Bathroom / toilet /

shower



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Fresh air / walk

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TV / subtitles



Wash / toothbrush / shave



Blankets (cold?)



Extra pillow

Food and dietary needs (Please tick) I have dietary requirements Yes No Below I have marked my specific requirements. (Please tick) Kosher Yes No No Halal Yes **Gluten free** Yes No **Dairy free** Yes No No Vegetarian Yes No Yes Vegan **Other** (If yes, please specify) Yes No

BSL Signs



Doctor

Nurse



Tablets

Toilets (either)



Теа

Coffee



Meal



Notes

Notes

When I am ready to be discharged from hospital please contact the Deaf Services Team in order for them to inform my local council.

Deaf Services, By Sight for Surrey:

Voice line: 01372 377701 SMS: 07860 026269 Skype ID: sensory.services FaceTime: dutysw@ sensoryservices.org.uk Email: dutysw@ sensoryservices.org.uk RAD (Royal Association for Deaf people):

Telephone / SMS: 07969 415170 RAD Support worker contact name:

RAD Support worker contact SMS:





Please return my Hospital Passport to me when I go home.