

## **DEAF INTERPRETER-HEARING INTERPRETER TEAMS**

### **Student Activity: Possible Consumers**

The purpose of this activity sheet is to provide students with the opportunity to assess and justify the use of DI-HI teams.

**Directions:** When answering the following questions, be sure to consider various factors and provide justification for each of your answers.

#### **Scenario:**

Gary, a certified signed language interpreter with 6 years of professional experience, has been contacted by Child and Family Protective Services (CFPS) to interpret for a investigation of alleged abuse of a 6 year old deaf boy. Specifically, he has been contacted to interpret for the interview between CFSP investigators and the child. The child is profoundly deaf and is enrolled in first grade at the School for the Deaf, but this is his first year there. His family is hearing and does not use sign language with in the home.

Gary has worked extensively in legal settings, but not frequently with children.

1. Would you recommend a DI-HI team for this appointment?

If yes, continue answering questions 2 – 6; if no, jump to question 7:

2. What about the consumer and his language use in this scenario would warrant the use of a DI-HI team?

3. What about the interpreters' language competency present in this scenario would warrant the use of a DI-HI team?

4. What consumer considerations are present in this scenario that would warrant the use of a DI-HI team?

5. Using the CPC for justification, please explain your decision to secure a DI-HI team.

6. Upon completion of your assessment and your determination of needing a DI-HI team, what information would you include to make your case to the requestor that a DI-HI team is necessary?

**DI-HI Team will not be utilized**

7. What about the consumers and their anticipated language use in this scenario led you to your decision not to recommend a DI-HI team?

8. What about the interpreters' language competency present in this scenario led you to your decision not to recommend a DI-HI team?

9. What setting considerations are present in this scenario led you to your decision not to recommend a DI-HI team?

10. Using the CPC for justification, please explain your decision to not secure a DI-HI team.

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