**DBHDD Deaf Services**

The Office of Deaf Services is committed to providing deaf, hard of hearing, or deafblind individuals access to behavioral health and developmental disabilities services. For information about DBHDD Deaf Services, please contact:

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**Sign Language Interpreter Services**  
For information related to Sign Language Interpreter services, please contact:

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**Intensive Residential Treatment Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing**  
DBHDD, via contract with Caring Works, Inc., provides ASAM Level III.5 Intensive Residential Treatment services for deaf and hard of hearing individuals with substance use disorders. The program is staffed by individuals who are ASL Fluent and clinically prepared to provide treatment.

To make a referral to this program, please contact Caring Works, Inc. at (404) 564-4181 ext. 223.

[**Resources**](http://dbhdd.georgia.gov/resources-1)

[Trauma in the Deaf Population: Definition, Experience, and Services by Candice Tate](https://dbhdd.georgia.gov/sites/dbhdd.georgia.gov/files/related_files/site_page/Deaf%20and%20Trauma%20Paper_1.pdf) (2012)

[Position Statement on Mental Health Interpreting Services with People who are Deaf](http://www.nad.org/issues/health-care/mental-health-services/position-statement-mental-health-interpreting-services-peo)

[Office of Deaf Services Organizational Chart](https://dbhdd.georgia.gov/sites/dbhdd.georgia.gov/files/related_files/site_page/Org%20Chart%20Deaf%20Services%202014%2004.pdf)  
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