Communication access helps people with hearing loss the same way ramps help people with mobility issues.

Accessibility

Are you Having Difficulty Understanding Speech?

ASK for communication access

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Providing Effective Communication

It’s the Law!
Hearing loss is a disability covered under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), Washington civil rights and other laws.

What areas of public life are required to comply?
- Employment
- State and local government, programs & services
- Public accommodations
- Telecommunications
- Education

How to Ask for the Help You Need?
Use a computer search engine, like Google, to find the event you would like to participate in. On the events home page look for an accessibility contact person by searching, using the words ADA, ADA coordinator, accessibility or disability.

Contact that person and ask for communication assistance to use their services or participate in a program or event.

Where? Everywhere!

Communication Access

Symbol of Access for Hearing Loss

Assistive Listening Systems
- Hearing Loop
- FM
- Infrared
- Hearing Aid Compatibility (HAC)
- FM & Infrared + neckloop = HAC

Captions
- Real Time
- Remote
- Closed
- Open

Translation
- America Sign Language
- Finger Spelling
- Oral Interpreting

Wi-Fi technology
- Emerging

hard of hearing • late-deafened • Deaf • deaf-blind