



MEMORANDUM

December 4, 2020

TO: Community Partner Network and Stakeholders

FROM: Jeffrey S. Duncan, Unit Chief
Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division

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SUBJECT: Deaf Centers of Nevada – Subaward Termination Notice

The Deaf Centers of Nevada (DCN) submitted formal notice to the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) of their intent to terminate services under the ADSD Communication Access Service Centers subaward, which provides services for Nevadans who are deaf, hard of hearing and speech impaired. ADSD has accepted DCN's termination notice, and as of December 30, 2020, DCN will no longer provide these services.

ADSD is working closely with DCN on a short-term transition plan that will allow the community to continue to access services after the termination of their subaward, and prior to a new community partner(s) providing the services. ADSD's priority is to continue providing the following services:

- Telecommunications and Assistive Technology Equipment Distribution
- Assistance in accessing services, particularly education, employment, health and other social services
- Language acquisition services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children

DCN has been a provider of these services since 2016. ADSD appreciates the dedication and service of the Deaf Centers of Nevada. We look forward to continuing to partner with them through this transition and beyond.

Prior to ADSD being notified by DCN that they would be terminating services, ADSD was working on a competitive Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for these services. This process happens every 2-3 years as part of state policies. The NOFO is still under development and will be released by January 2021.

Additional information, including contact information for community members seeking services will be released prior to December 30, 2020.

For immediate questions, community members can contact Adrienne Navarro, Advocacy and Community Services Chief via email at annavarro@adsd.nv.gov or Salvatore Fiorentino, CAS Program Manager via email at sfiorentino@adsd.nv.gov or videophone 702-830-9103.