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**Michigan Department of Civil Rights Opens
Public Comment for Sign Language Interpreter Rules**
Public Hearing to Be Held in Flint on April 5

Lansing—The Michigan Department of Civil Rights and the Division on Deaf and Hard of Hearing announced today that the public comment period for the proposed administrative rules: Qualified Interpreter – General Rules is open until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 7, 2014.

These rules govern procedures for application, testing, revocation, suspension or limitation of certification, continuing education, renewals, and grievances, minimum credential requirements and levels, and minimum standards of practice for sign language interpreters. The proposed rules are published in written and ASL formats on the MDCR and DODHH websites at: <http://www.michigan.gov/mdcr> or <http://www.michigan.gov/dodhh>

A public hearing will be held on the proposed rules on Saturday, April 5, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the Michigan School for the Deaf, 1235 W. Court St in Flint.

Signed, oral, written or ASL video comments may be presented in person at the hearing. Written comments may be submitted in writing by mail, email, or facsimile. Signed videos may be submitted by email as attachments.

Written or video comments should be submitted to:

DODHH-Public Comment
201 N. Washington Sq.
Lansing, MI 48913
DODHH@michigan.gov
517-335-7773 (fax)
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Sign language interpreters and CART will be provided for the public hearing. Anyone needing additional accommodations to participate should contact Amanda Niven or Karlee Rose Gruetzner at DODHH at 877-499-6232 before April 1, 2014.

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