

Tips for Working with an ASL Interpreter

- **Maintain a Steady Pace:** Speaking at a consistent pace allows interpreters to keep up and provide accurate interpretation.
- **Pause Occasionally:** Brief pauses, especially after key points, give interpreters time to fully convey the message.
- **Share Materials in Advance:** Whenever possible, provide written notes or outlines beforehand so interpreters can familiarize themselves with specific terminology.
- **Use Clear Language:** Straightforward language helps interpreters accurately convey the intended message.
- **Describe Visuals:** When using visuals, offer a brief verbal description. This is particularly valuable for Deaf-blind attendees.
- **Team Interpreting:** Interpreters work in teams and may switch during the session. If you notice a switch, please pause briefly to allow the new interpreter to take position and continue the message seamlessly.
- **Interpreter Visibility:** In live press conferences or recordings, ensure interpreters are always in the frame.