# **Behavioral Health Interpreter Training (BHIT)**

For Interpreters



# IN-PERSON TRAINING

Intensive Skill-Building Curriculum for Interpreters:

> April 7-8, 2025 8:30 am-4:00 pm

- 2 Full Day Sessions
- 14 Total Training Hours
- CEU's Provided

CE credits provided for this course are accepted toward national credentialing by the National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCC AP) as well as many state licensing/certification bodies in addiction and other helping professions.

The BHIT was developed by the National Latino Behavioral Health Association (NLBHA).

Registration is limited to the first 35 registrants.

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Training Location:
7001-A East Parkway, Conference
Room 1, Sacramento, California
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## **Behavioral Health Interpreter Training (BHIT)**

Effective communication and conveying information in a manner that is easily understood by Limited English Proficient (LEP) clients in behavioral health settings is critical. The number of LEP clients far exceeds the number of bilingual, bi-cultural behavioral health professionals.

Properly trained interpreters and mono-lingual providers who use interpreters can fill a critical role in improving the quality of care to clients whose first language is not English, ensuring accurate and complete communication to minimize risk and maximize appropriate care.

\*\*This program is funded by the Sacramento County Division of Behavioral Health Services through the voter-approved Proposition 63, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). If you wish to attend and need to arrange for an interpreter or reasonable accommodation, please contact Ajna Glisic one week before the event at GlisicA@saccounty.gov

### Training of Interpreters

This workshop is designed to immerse bilingual interpreters in the principles and practices of interpreter communication skills. Participants must be proficiently fluent in at least one language other than English. This training is designed for direct service staff, clinicians, administrative support staff, community members, contractors, consumers, case managers, and others who use their bilingual skills to interpret for agencies.

#### **Presenters**



Anahí Morgan is a proud Mexican American who was born and raised in Yuma, Arizona. Her passion for serving the Limited English Proficient communities encouraged her to pursue a BS in Public Health and a BA in Spanish Translation and Interpretation. In the past, she has worked as a Promotora, Project Coordinator, Interpreter, and Translator. She's currently the Early Intervention Specialist -Retention Coordinator for the University of Arizona Petersen HIV Clinics. She implements and facilitates culturally responsive services and training for community members. She focuses on re-engaging people living with HIV who have been out of care and connecting them to the necessary services. Mrs. Morgan aspires to continue working to make health resources accessible, raise awareness, and help break down the language barrier.



Gibraham Morgan is a proud first-generation Mexican American. Hailing from Sinaloa, Mexico, Gibraham has lived in Tucson, AZ since 2008 where he learned firsthand the struggles of being a Limited English Proficient individual. Helping his LEP family navigate the system encouraged him to pursue a BA in Law and a BA In Spanish Translation & Interpretation. He has interned in the Pima County Juvenile Court Center interpreter department and did contract work with Learning A - Z leveling books in Spanish and English. Currently, he works for the Revenue Cycle Service Center as a Payment Control Supervisor. His goal for the future is to use his talents and skills to facilitate access to language access for Limited English individuals.