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Mentorship

Mentorship helps bridge the gaps in interpreter education and supports ongoing professional development and personal growth for working interpreters.

The purpose of the NCIEC's mentorship initiative is to identify and foster quality and effective mentoring as an essential component of the system needed to close the gap between pre-service education and certification, and beyond. The efforts of this project directly support the NCIEC goal of significantly increasing the number of qualified and credentialed interpreters in the field by focusing efforts on identifying current, best, and eventually effective practices in mentoring activities across the country that enhance interpreting services to Deaf, Deafblind, hard of hearing, and hearing consumers.

The effective practices research findings to date can be found on the NCIEC's Mentorship Resources site at <http://www.nciec.org/projects/mentor.html>, under the "NCIEC Mentoring Initiative" tab. The site also includes information on becoming a mentor, on mentors and mentorship programs in your area, a Directory of Self-Identified Mentors, information on the RID/NCIEC mentorship grant recipients, FAQs, and much more.

An online mentorship conference titled "The 2nd National Roundtable on Mentoring: What Have We Learned?" was held in October 2009. Over 200 people participated in the interactive discussions on our mentoring research.

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