

Open Application for Commissioner



Rhode Island Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

CDHH IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR DEAF COMMISSIONER(S)

What is a Commissioner?

- ◆ Represents Deaf and hard of hearing viewpoints
- ◆ Brings issues re: education, employment, health care, family relations, interpreter services, technology, and rights to the Commission
- ◆ Wants to improve life for Deaf and hard of hearing people
- ◆ Oversees the operation of the CDHH

What does a Commissioner do?

- ◆ Attends CDHH meetings at least 4 meetings a year, mostly at CDHH office building behind the State House in Providence, RI
- ◆ Serves on at least one committee
- ◆ Lets Deaf and hard of hearing communities know what is happening and encourages more consumer participation
- ◆ Advocates for Deaf and hard of hearing by testifying at legislative hearings, writing letters, and filing complaints
- ◆ Participates in CDHH events

How do I become a Commissioner?

- ◆ Let CDHH Commissioners know you are interested
- ◆ Contact CDHH by phone, fax, email, or letter, or stop by CDHH office
- ◆ Fill out an application and let us know why you would like to be a Commissioner

What's next?

- ◆ Commission discusses application and votes to recommend you to Governor
- ◆ Governor looks at recommendations and gives final approval

To review the composition of the CDHH Board of Commissioners see SECTION 23-1.8-1 online at <http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/TITLE23/23-1.8/23-1.8-1.HTM>.

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