



New Mexico Commission for Deaf & Hard of Hearing

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Latinx Deaf

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What information is there on Latinx Deaf?

The nation's Latinx Deaf community is continuing to grow, with more and more conferences, organizations, and websites. A good portion of future growth in deaf and hard of hearing organization membership may come from the Latinx community.

Is there a Latinx Deaf chapter in New Mexico?

Yes, Raíces del Rio Grande, visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/RaicesdelRioGrande and also on Instagram, raicesdelriogrande.

Is there a national organization for Latinx Deaf?

Yes, there is a national organization that is called Council de Manos. It has evolved from past organizational efforts in the deaf Latinx community. It currently has a headquarters office at the New Mexico School for the Deaf in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Website, www.councildemanos.org/.

Are there conferences for Latinx Deaf?

Yes, the Latinx Deaf community holds conferences. The Council de Manos announces conference information on its website (www.councildemanos.org/). Some state organizations also hold their own conferences.

There are 5 state organizations: Manos de Tejas, www.facebook.com/manosdetejas, Illinois Deaf Latino Association www.idlanews.com/membership.html, Latino Deaf and Hard of Hearing Association of the Metropolitan DC area www.ldhhamdc.org, Raíces del Rio Grande in New Mexico www.facebook.com/RaicesdelRioGrande and California Manos del Corazon, www.facebook.com/CaliforniaManosdelCorazon.

Is there Spanish-language Resources on Deafness?

For parents and teachers of deaf and hard of hearing children who speak Spanish, there are Spanish-language resources available to cover every spectrum of deafness. Some websites on parenting deaf and hard of hearing children offer Spanish-language versions of their sites. One such site is www.raisingdeafkids.org/spanish/

Some Spanish-speaking parents may have difficulty understanding their deaf children's American Sign Language and English. The Signing Fiesta series of videos helps these parents develop basic vocabularies for communication, literacy skills, and daily living communication skills. One of these has the theme "A Visit to the Audiologist." The website is: www.signingfiesta.com/