



The Sign Post

New Hampshire Association of the Deaf

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<https://www.facebook.com/newhampshireassociationofthedeaf/>

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www.nhadinc.org

23rd Biennial State Conference

At the August 4th 2021 board meeting via Zoom, community members proposed and approved that the 23rd Biennial State Conference be postponed to 2022, possibly 2023. Therefore, there will be no NHAD state conference this year. The current board members have committed to extending their term another year.

Social Events

Due to the COVID pandemic, NHAD has not hosted any event for most of 2020 and 2021. Our community's health and safety are a top priority. If you would like to suggest or help host virtual events, please let us know!

Board Meetings

We hold board meetings every three months on the first Wednesday of the month. The next four scheduled meetings are:

November 3rd 2021 at 6:30pm via Zoom
February 2nd 2022 at 6:30pm (location TBA)
May 4th 2022 at 6:30pm (location TBA)
August 3rd 2022 at 6:30pm (location TBA)

Biennial Town Hall

In place of the state conference, NHAD will host a town hall via Zoom on October 30th, 2021 from 9AM to 1PM. The agenda will cover updates, opportunities to chat and socialize, by-laws amendments, and opportunities to discuss your concerns and issues.

Zoom room #: 878 7064 7183

Passcode: NHAD2021

Accommodations: If you need a voice interpreter, CART, etc, contact Northeast Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services for Part B requests.

Community Updates



Resources

Zoom training:
Northeast Deaf and Hard of
Hearing Services
www.ndhhs.org

About COVID:
-NAD info:
www.nad.org/coronavirus/
-NH info: www.covid19.nh.gov/

For parents of DHH children:
-www.nhhandsandvoices.com
-handvnh@gmail.com

Greater Nashua Mental Health
Center-DHH Services
-www.gnmhc.org

This edition of The Sign Post is free regardless of membership status, courtesy of NHAD in light of the COVID pandemic.

NDHHS is seeking candid photos from the community to place on their walls! If you have photos on your computer or phone and would like to share the photos with NDHHS, email the photos to ED Michelle at michelle@ndhhs.org.



GNMHC-Deaf Services is expanding! They hired several new Deaf and HH staff members.

NHAD wants volunteers! Who is interested in helping with the future editions of *The Sign Post* newsletter, to create vlogs and content for the FB pages and website, and to be the community's liaisons for concerns and feedback? Let us know at [contact@nhadinc.org!](mailto:contact@nhadinc.org)

In 2019, a visor card was created for DHH drivers to show to police officers when they are pulled over to use for communication. If you would like to have a copy, you can request one from your local police department, a NH State Police station, or the local DMV office.



Know a family with DHH children? Please help point them in the way of NH Hands and Voices! NHHV is hosting several virtual meetings and in-person events for families, and they have a FB group!

www.nhhandsandvoices.com
HandVNH@gmail.com

If you have topics or issues you would like NHAD to bring up to the NH Commission for the DHH, please let us know! The Commission hosts about nine meetings a year and discusses all issues relating to DHH people, review bills and laws, etc.