

Now, let's analyze some potential challenges that might come up. There were five questions/concerns identified.

First of all, how will artificial intelligence (AI) impact the interpreting field and accessibility?

The second concern is that since 90% of Deaf children won't have access to sign language as they're growing up, there's questions about how this will impact the community. Will it grow? Will there be enough Deaf people using ASL for the interpreting field to stay consistent?

Third, with the advancement of medical treatments and gene editing, will there be enough need for the use of sign language going forward?

In addition, with world languages not being required in high schools and colleges, that means that there is less access to ASL classes. How will we continue to support the language and the community?

Finally, with most of the Rehabilitation Services Administration grant that our interpreters are using right now, it relies on the underlying function as to support DDBHH people's employment. How do we capitalize on that and support the movement for DDBHH people to forward their career and take steps towards self employment?

What about those wanting to provide direct services for DDBHH? Could they reduce the demand load for interpreters? In addition, there is growth in DDBHH people entering health related employment, are interpreters ready to support the community in this way?