

# LIVE With LIO: Supporting Students Who Are DeafBlind

The resources below were shared during MDE-LIO's Deaf/Hard of Hearing (DHH) LIVE With LIO webinar on May 12, 2020.

## Michigan Administrative Rules for Special Education (MARSE)

- [R 340.1717 Deaf-blindness defined; determination](https://bit.ly/2SYUrnQ) (bit.ly/2SYUrnQ)

## Michigan DeafBlind Resources

- [DeafBlind \(DB\) Central](http://dbcentral.org) (dbcentral.org): Provides information and resources, guidance and consultations, training, family support, observing services and providing recommendations
- [iCanConnect Michigan](http://icanconnect.org/how-to-apply/michigan) (icanconnect.org/how-to-apply/michigan): iCanConnect provides people with both significant vision and hearing loss with free equipment and training. [iCanConnect is a national program](http://icanconnect.org) (icanconnect.org).
- [Bureau of Services for Blind Persons \(BSBP\)](https://bit.ly/2WQXekc) (bit.ly/2WQXekc): For individuals age 14 or older; BSBP provides counseling and training in skills for daily living without vision. Depending on need and eligibility for specific services, BSBP may also provide some types of adaptive equipment, computer software, and postsecondary education.

## National and International DeafBlind Resources

- [National Center on Deaf-Blindness](http://nationaldb.org) (nationaldb.org): Offers an information clearinghouse of articles, modules, webinars, and census.
- [National Family Association for Deaf-Blind](http://nfadb.org) (nfadb.org): Provides information, support, and advocacy for families of individuals who are DeafBlind.
- [Helen Keller National Center](http://helenkeller.org/hknc) (helenkeller.org/hknc): Provides training and resources to people age 16 and older who have combined vision and hearing loss.
- [California Deaf-Blind Services \(CDBS\)](http://cadbs.org) (cadbs.org): Provides services for California but offers a great newsletter and resources.
- [Perkins School for the Blind – Communication](http://perkinselearning.org/topics/communication) (perkinselearning.org/topics/communication): Offers several communication resources in addition to blogs, professional development, and activity suggestions. Online classes are also offered.
- [Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired \(TSBVI\)](http://tsbvi.edu) (tsbvi.edu): Offers resources to buy or download, a symposium on DeafBlindness, online training, and more.
- [DeafBlind International](http://deafblindinternational.org) (deafblindinternational.org): Provides information and conferences, and promotes appropriate services.

## Interpreter and Intervener Resources

- [DeafBlind Interpreting: National Training & Resource Center](http://dbinterpreting.org) (dbinterpreting.org): Provides training and information with the goal of increasing the number of interpreters who can provide support in the DeafBlind community.
- [National Intervener Association](http://intervener.org/post/?post=nia-national-intervener-association) (intervener.org/post/?post=nia-national-intervener-association): Provides information on interveners and DeafBlindness; also provides links to higher education training programs.
- [DeafBlind Intervener Certificate Program](http://lf.globalapp.cmich.edu/degreeConc/UCERT/DBI) (lf.globalapp.cmich.edu/degreeConc/UCERT/DBI): Central Michigan University offers an online intervener certification program, which is taught using a cohort model.

## **DeafBlind Research**

- [National Knowledge Center for DeafBlind Issues – Research Overview](http://research.nkcdb.se) (research.nkcdb.se): Swedish organization offering more than 3,950 scientific articles on DeafBlindness.