

Andri Matos

Professional Summary

Dedicated healthcare professional and interpreter with over 10 years of experience providing high-quality language access services in legal and healthcare settings. Experienced educator with a strong background in pharmacology and allied health education. Passionate about promoting health equity and improving healthcare access through culturally and linguistically appropriate services. Skilled in public health education, program development, and community outreach, with a focus on underserved populations. Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) and active member of the Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists (ADCES).

Certifications and Education

Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES)

Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists (ADCES) – Certified Member

Doctor of Medicine

Universidad Autónoma de Santo Domingo – Graduated 2008

Certified Court Interpreter

State of New York

Professional Experience

Freelance Court Interpreter

Rockland County Supreme Court, NY | 2014 – Present

- Provide accurate and culturally appropriate interpretation in high-stakes legal proceedings, ensuring LEP individuals have full access to justice.
- Collaborate with attorneys, judges, and court staff to facilitate communication between all parties.
- Assist LEP individuals in understanding complex legal terminology and procedures.

Medical Interpreter (Freelance)

Language Line Services | 2014 – Present

- Deliver medical interpretation services in diverse healthcare settings, from routine checkups to complex medical procedures.

- Ensure effective communication between healthcare providers and patients, addressing cultural nuances to enhance care quality.

Educator: Pharmacology for Allied Health

[Institution Name] | 2016 – Present

- Teach pharmacology and related health courses to students in surgical technologist and nursing programs.
- Develop and deliver curriculum designed to meet the learning needs of students without prior healthcare backgrounds.
- Foster a learning environment that emphasizes patient safety, ethical decision-making, and effective communication in healthcare.

Public Health and Community Involvement

Health Educator

Freelance | 2016 – Present

- Develop and implement health education programs tailored to the Latino community, focusing on chronic disease prevention and management.
- Partner with local organizations to promote health literacy and provide culturally competent health education.
- Advocate for health equity, particularly around language access and its impact on healthcare outcomes.

Conference Moderator

Medical Organization for Latino Advancement (MOLA) | 2023 – Present

- Moderate panels and discussions at medical conferences, ensuring a focus on healthcare access and equity.
- Facilitate conversations on best practices for improving language services in healthcare.

Skills and Expertise

- Bilingual: Fluent in Spanish and English
- Language Access Advocacy
- Healthcare Interpretation and Translation
- Public Health Education and Program Development
- Culturally Competent Care
- Health Literacy and Community Outreach
- Curriculum Development and Instruction

Reason for Running

I am running for a position on the NCIHC Board because I am passionate about advancing health equity through language access. My combined experience as an interpreter, educator, and healthcare professional has given me a unique perspective on the critical role language services play in ensuring equitable healthcare. I am eager to contribute my expertise to NCIHC's mission of promoting quality interpretation services and advocating for policies that support linguistic and cultural competence in healthcare.