

Language Proficiency Assessment Resources

The following resources offer a variety of language proficiency assessment services that can assist your practice in identifying, preparing, and training bi/multi-lingual staff to support language services offered in your practice.

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Description & Types of Services						
Organization	Website / Contact Information	# of Offered Languages	Custom to Medical Specialty	Assessments	Certification &/or Experience	Cost
Berkeley Language Institute (BLI) Supports the client’s efforts to adhere to Federal, Department of Health & Human Services Standards for CLAS, and State laws and regulations (DMC and Joint Commission).	http://www.berkeleylanguageinstitute.com/index.html 1-510-655-9469 Marci Valdivieso marci@berkeleylanguageinstitute.com	8 languages offered: Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin, Cantonese, and Taishanese/Toisan), French, Korean, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Vietnamese	Yes	- Professional language assessments for interpreters, translators, & bilingual speakers - Language Proficiency Oral Assessment – ideal for current & pre-employment bilingual employees - Language Proficiency Written Assessment - Medical Staff Oral Assessment - Healthcare Interpreter Assessments	Evaluators are experienced linguists that have: - At least five years interpreter & translator experience - Have shown an aptitude to be language evaluators. - They are generally certified by/with the National Board or CCHI if the language pair is an option, or - They are otherwise assessed and trained prior to being given evaluation assignments	Cost will vary depending on language pair and type of assessment \$115 - \$190/ person
Culture Advantage Designed by a culturally-diverse team of healthcare professionals & certified medical interpreters.	https://cultureadvantage.org/ 1-316-217-0198 Marlene Obermeyer, MA, RN director@cultureadvantage.org	10 languages offered: Arabic, Chinese Mandarin, Japanese, Farsi, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Vietnamese	Yes All medical specialties offered in the professional program	- Bilingual Staff Medical Interpreting Skills Assessment (MISA) - Specialty-specific Medical Interpreting Skills Assessment	Evaluators are healthcare professionals who speak the language pair & have received a Professional Clinical Interpreter Certificate; Evaluators may partner with a CMI/CHI who speaks the language pair	Cost will vary \$200 /MISA \$250 - \$950 for Online Courses
ISI Language Solutions ITAP helps healthcare facilities meet the linguistic and cultural requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, HIPAA, Medicare, Medicaid, Healthcare Reform, JCAHO and state regulations.	https://isilanguagesolutions.com/industries/healthcare/ 1-818-753-9181 John Lopez john@isitrans.com Christina Xu Christina@isitrans.com	22 languages offered: Arabic, Armenian, Bengali, Chinese (Cantonese & Mandarin), Farsi, French, Georgian, Gujarati, Hebrew, Hindi, Hmong, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, Vietnamese	No	- Interpreter Training Assessment Program (ITAP) – 4 modules implemented individually or as a whole - Language Proficiency Assessment - Building Cultural Competency Workshop - Medical Terminology Workshop - Medical Interpreting Ethics and Protocol Workshop	Professional Linguists - Certification or Accreditation from American Translators Association (ATA) or equivalent organization - Degree in Translation or foreign equivalent - Subject-Matter expertise in the field of Life Sciences - Extensive experience in translation and linguistics	Must contact for costs Cost example: Flat rate/ test - \$80

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Language Line Academy (LLA) Our professional testing and training ensures the qualifications and skills of bilingual and interpreter staff for effective communication and documented proof for compliance with laws and regulations.	https://www.languageonline.com/ 1-844-552-8378 Ana Catalina Arguedas Fernández lla@languageonline.com	1 language offered: Spanish	Yes Pediatrics Mental Health OB/Gyn Ophthalmology Gastroenterology Oncology Cardiology Pharmacy	- Healthcare Bilingual Fluency assessment for clinicians and medical staff - Certificate of Competency in Medical Interpreting – test takes 45 minutes to one hour - Interpreter Readiness Assessment - Interpreter Skills Test	LLA testers have a variety of qualifications, including: - M.A., Translation & Interpretation - Years of medical interpreting experience - External interpreter certification credentials	Cost will vary \$145 - \$160/ test Volume discounts available
Language Testing International (LTI) In partnership with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), we proudly offer our corporate clients valid and reliable reading, writing, speaking, and listening tests.	https://www.languagetesting.com/ 1-800-486-8444 Marketing/ Scheduling Team Diane ext. 123 Dina ext. 127 info@languagetesting.com	100+ languages offered, most popular: Arabic, French, German, Italian, Korean, Mandarin, Pashto, Persian Farsi, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish View complete list of languages online	Offers general testing/ proficiency assessments Does not specifically assess proficiency for healthcare interpretation or translation services	- Oral Proficiency Interview 15 – 30 minute telephonic interview - Oral Proficiency Interview – Computer 20 – 40 minute on-demand, internet or phone-delivered proficiency test - Writing Proficiency Test via the web 20 – 80 minutes - Listening Proficiency Test 50 – 125 minutes - Reading Proficiency Test 50 – 125 minutes	LTI strictly uses Certified ACTFL testers and raters Ensuring quality and validity of tests	Contact for costs Package options available for some languages Cost examples: \$100 - \$200/ person for phone survey \$159 for web based proctoring
MasterWord For professionals working in healthcare organizations, we aid in ensuring compliance with The Joint Commission, CLAS, as well as Section 1557 of the ACA Standards with our impactful cultural competency training.	https://www.masterword.com/ 1-866-716-4999 masterword@masterword.com	250+ languages offered for interpreting and translation Contact for languages offered for proficiency assessments	Not specified Offers On Demand training & Webinars for Healthcare, includes: - Maternal Fetal Medicine - Cardiology - Mental Health - Oncology - Emergency	- Language Proficiency Assessment: 60 minutes - Contact for languages - Health Care Interpreter Assessment (HCIA[®]): 32 min. / 45 min. –oral / written Currently the full assessment is available in Spanish, Arabic, Vietnamese, Chinese Mandarin, and Burmese. Other languages are also assessed by professional evaluators using a modified version of this assessment.	Assessments based on formats of CCHI & NBCMI national certification exams	On Demand Assessments: \$105 - \$155