

Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice

Ethical Principle 1: Accuracy and Fidelity – *Interpreters render the original message accurately and faithfully into the target language*

Ethical Principle 2: Confidentiality – *Interpreters treat as private and confidential all information learned in the performance of their professional duties and adhere to requirements regarding disclosure.*

Ethical Principle 3: Impartiality – *Interpreters maintain impartiality, refrain from counseling, advising or projecting personal biases or beliefs and disclose potential or actual conflicts of interest*

Ethical Principle 4: Respect – *Interpreters treat all parties with respect and support mutually respectful relationships among all parties*

Ethical Principle 5: Role Boundaries – *Interpreters maintain the boundaries of their professional role and refrain from personal involvement*

Ethical Principle 6: Accountability – *Interpreters maintain high quality in the performance of their professional duties and adhere to standards of practice, policies and legislative requirements*

Ethical Principle 7: Professionalism – *Interpreters conduct themselves in a professional and ethical manner*

Ethical Principle 8: Professional Development – *Interpreters continually further their knowledge and skills, through independent study, continuing education and actual interpreting practice*