

Welcome to the new Interpreter Portal!

Within the new portal, all active interpreters can now update their basic contact information in their profile such as phone numbers, mailing and e-mail addresses, the counties in which they are available to work. For those interpreters who work in the California superior courts as employees or independent contractors, they are now able to enter their Daily Activity Log data as authorized by a court. Court employee interpreters may use the portal consistent with direction from their Court employer and consistent with any applicable MOU or court policy. Interpreter contractors may use the portal consistent with the terms of their contractor agreement with the Court.

What is CIDCS?

The Court Interpreter Data Collection System (CIDCS) is a database program of the Judicial Council. CIDCS tracks actual court interpreter usage, including case type, number of interpreted events, languages, and costs, including capturing whether court interpreter events were handled by in-person, telephonic, or video remote interpreting (VRI). Most of the counties within the state use CIDCS to report data regarding completed interpreter assignments within their respective courts to the Judicial Council of California. CIDCS is designed to allow court managers as well as individual interpreters to input interpretation data about each interpretation provided. CIDCS houses various data concerning interpreters, including their contact information, the counties they are willing to work, their compliance status, their employment status as court employees or independent contractors, their language credential status (certified, registered, or non-certified/non-registered). Recent updates have been made to CIDCS, including development of an interpreter portal to allow direct data entry into CIDCS by California court interpreters and update basic information in their profile.

Entry of Daily Activity Log Data

With a court's authorization, interpreters will also be able to enter their daily activity log assignment data and expense information. There are five different options for interpreter portal use for daily activity log data. To determine if the court(s) with which you work would like you to enter DAL data and the level to which you are authorized to enter that data, please contact the interpreter coordinator or language access representative at the court(s).

Training Materials and Webinar

There is an optional online training for interpreters who would like to learn more about how to use the interpreter portal. Interpreters will be able to receive continuing education credit for this training (CIMCE L5362 for 1-hour recorded webinar). There are also shorter instructional videos that cover topics such as editing a DAL that has already been entered in the system and how to login to the portal, as well as how to change your password. The links to the webpages where these videos are posted have been included below for your convenience.

Link to Webinar and Other Training Videos: <https://www.courts.ca.gov/44714.htm>