

DEAFBLIND INTERVENER SPECIFIC TRAINING

Intervener Role for Supporting Educational Access

Interveners support their DeafBlind student's concept, communication, social and emotional development.

Interveners seek for and grab opportunities for expanded learning.

Interveners maximize incidental learning opportunities since they do not happen often for DeafBlind students.

Interveners respond to students' actions.

Interveners allow students to work through challenges and know when to offer support or guidance.

Interveners are the eyes and ears of the student who is DeafBlind, informing them of people, places, things and activities in their environment and facilitating connections and participation as needed.

Interveners not only work in schools; they work in the home/community.

Learn more about interveners:

Interveners and Qualified Personnel, National Center on Deaf-Blindness
<https://www.nationaldb.org/national-initiatives/iqp/>

National Intervener & Advocate Association
<https://www.intervener.org/>

Training Interveners

Central Michigan University, DeafBlind Intervener Undergraduate Certificate (college credit)

<https://www.cmich.edu/academics/colleges/college-education-human-services/centers/deafblind-central/interveners>

Utah State University, DeafBlind Intervener Training (not college credit)

<https://online.usu.edu/deafblindness-cert/>

TSBVI Introduction to the Intervener Team Model (Annual 2-day training; usually in October)

<https://www.tsbvi.edu/events/2023-introduction-to-the-intervener-team-model>

TSBVI Introduction to the Intervener Team Model (Self-paced online course)

<https://www.tsbvi.edu/statewide-resources/professional-development/online-learning>
(Keywords: Intervener Team)

Open Hands, Open Access (OHOA) Deaf-Blind Intervener Modules by National Center on Deaf-Blindness,

<https://www.nationaldb.org/products/modules/ohoa/>

Links to standards developed by Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

<https://dvidb.exceptionalchildren.org/standards/initial-specialty-set-deafblindness>

DBMAT Scholarship for Texas Interveners

https://dbmat-tx.org/resources/Intervener/DBMAT_Intervener_Scholarship_Application.pdf.pdf