

## CDC SPECIAL TOPICS TELECONFERENCE

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

### **EARLY HEARING DETECTION AND INTERVENTION**

**Special Topics Teleconference**

## **Making Information Truly Accessible to Deaf and Hard of Hearing Audiences**

Thursday February 25, 2010

**4:00-5:00 PM EST / 3:00-4:00 CST / 1:00-2:00 PST**

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In 1998, Congress amended the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to require federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology accessible to people with disabilities. These “Section 508” standards provide a challenge and a template to all programs serving audiences with differing communications needs.

This teleconference will describe ways to create documents, websites or other informational products that are more truly usable by persons who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Specific topics include:

- Current requirements under “Section 508” and other disability laws, especially as they apply to audiences who are deaf/hard of hearing
- Current experience in actual compliance
- Challenges in compliance
- Tools and methods to increase 508 accessibility among audience deaf/hard of hearing
- Future trends and developments
- Sources of more information

### **Presenter**

**Mark D. Urban** currently serves as the Section 508 Coordinator for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. He has worked in elective, appointed, and professional roles at the local, state and federal levels in accessibility, and has consulted with several foreign governments to implement standards in accessibility and develop disability communications strategies. He is the co-author of several books and papers on accessibility, and a frequent speaker at national and international activities on this topic.

He is vice-chair of the International Center for Disability Resources on the Internet, a technical advisor to the US delegation to the International Telecommunications Union, a member of the W3C WAI Education and Outreach committee, and past vice-chair of the ANSI/INCITS V2 Access Interfaces standards committee.

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