Completion of Bridging the Gap Training fulfills the pre-requisites for National Certification.

Affordable Language Services is proud to be the only licensed provider of Bridging the Gap in Cincinnati.

http://xculture.org/medical-interpreter-training/licensed-training-agencies/ohio-btg-agencies/
What is Bridging the Gap (BTG)?
Bridging the Gap is the oldest spoken-language interpreter training program in the country and has been in the U.S. and around the world for over 20 years to provide a foundation for medical interpreting. You can find out more information at www.xculture.org.

Do I have to attend all 40 hours?
Yes. Under the license agreement with BTG, in order to receive a certificate of completion you must attend all 40 hours and receive a final score of at least 70% on the final exam. Please be aware to be in compliance with The Health Collaborative (former Greater Cincinnati Health Council), the final score must be at least 80%.

What happens if I don’t pass the test?
Participants who do not receive a passing score will have the opportunity to take a makeup exam covering material for the entire course.

If I take Bridging the Gap, will I be certified?
No. You can refer to yourself as a qualified medical interpreter once you pass BTG, but you will not be considered nationally certified.

How do I become a certified medical interpreter?
There are two national organizations offering certification for medical interpreters. For more information, please refer to:
http://www.healthcareinterpretercertification.org/
http://www.certifiedmedicalinterpreters.org/
Note that BTG or an equivalent program is required to take the certification exam.

What about ASL interpreters?
Sign Language interpreters have different protocols, and therefore, different certifications. The RID and the NAD are working together to offer certification examinations for American Sign Language interpreters.

Please see http://www.rid.org/ and http://www.nad.org/ for more information.

Do I get any CEU’s for this training?
Members of ATA (American Translators Association) will receive 10 CEUs.

I do not have experience in the medical field. Is the training appropriate for me?
Yes! The participants in BTG come from a variety of backgrounds from novice to professional interpreters. The class is taught in a way that incorporates and includes differing skill levels.
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Location: 4350 Glendale Milford Rd
Blue Ash, Ohio 45242

- The course cost is $650. Registration deposit: $100.
- Affordable Language Services interpreters cost is $450.
- Early Bird discount: $100 off with registration & registration deposit due 1 month before class starts.

*Early registration is strongly encouraged due to limited seating availability.*

First & last name

Street address

City

State

Zip

Email address

Home Phone

my native tongue is:

Work Phone

I am next most fluent in:

Cell Phone

I am 2nd most fluent in:

How did you hear about us? __radio __blog __website __other (please list)

You are required to be fluent in English and in at least one other language. Therefore, a language screening is required. After full payment is received, we will contact you to do the screening over the phone. You will be notified if your language screening did not pass, and will receive your money back. However, if you have not heard from us 2 weeks prior to the start date, contact us at 513.745.0888 ext 5036.

Payment type: __cash __check (payable to Affordable Language Services) __credit card

Card Type

Payment amount ($100 minimum deposit required)

Today's date

Name as it appears on card

Expiration date MM/YYYY

3-digit code on back of card

Billing Address __same as above

Billing City & State

Billing zip

Card number

Signature

The course cost is $650.00. A registration fee of $100 must be sent with your registration. Payment in full is due by 3 weeks prior to the start of class. This fee covers the cost of a language evaluation and all training materials. Make check payable to: Affordable Language Services. Mail it with your registration form to: 4350 Glendale Milford Rd. Suite 230, Cincinnati, OH 45242. If paying by credit card, you can fax the registration form to 513.793.4755. If cancellation is received with 4 weeks or more notice prior to the start of training, all payments will be refunded, or applied to the next available training. If you cancel with less than 4 weeks’ notice, no refund will be offered. We reserve the right to cancel any training at any time. Full refund will be made if we cancel training. In case of cancellation, Affordable Language Services does not assume liability for non-refundable hotel, car rental, or air travel fares, nor does it cover fees for change of itinerary.