

IMIA 2013 Lifelong Learning Webinar Series

## THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF MINORITY LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS



The Challenges and Opportunities of Minority Language Interpreters Friday, June 28th, 2013 9:00am Pacific / 11:00am Central / 12:00pm EST Duration: 1.5 hours

Do you know if you are considered a minority language interpreter? What challenges do you face as a minority language interpreter? How can our professional organization help? Join us in the first Minority Languages Webinar.

Participants would be able to:

- 1. Discuss the linguistic diversity in the United States.
- Identify who is a minority language interpreter for medical interpretation purposes.
  Recognize the challenges of a minority language interpreter including training opportunities, certification, continuing education, and employment opportunities.
  Participate in planning how to prioritize these challenges in order to support the

professional needs of minority language interpreters.



#### PRESENTER: Marlene Vicky Obermeyer, MA, RN

A registered nurse with over thirty years of hands-on bedside nursing, Marlene originally came from the Philippines, completed her nursing education in the U.S., and has obtained additional certificates in cross-cultural training and transcultural nursing. Marlene is an experienced cross-cultural trainer and continuing education provider for nurses with emphasis on Cultural Competency. She has designed and authored over 100 contact hours of continuing education courses for international assignments and has worked with Cargill and Sprint international executives. Mar-

lene is a certified eCollege instructor and has taught anatomy and medical terminology online at Virginia College. In 2009, she started Culture Advantage, an online continuing education provider offering three programs in Professional Medical Interpreter Training (English-Spanish, Language-Neutral, and Fast Track for Healthcare Professionals). The programs are based on the IMIA Standards in addition to 70 percent medical terminology content. She has trained interpreters for the Rockford Health Systems, Ohio Health Partners, and for indigenous speakers of five Maya languages as part of a U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops project. Member: Kansas Association of Nursing Continuing Education Providers. Member: Texas Association of Healthcare Interpreters and Translators. Member and former KS-State Representative: International Medical Interpreters Association.

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--Lawrence "-Zo" Ruiz 13 year veteran interpreter Harris Health System, Houston, Texas

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