

I am Deaf and use British Sign Language.

I need a BSL Interpreter for all appointments please.



My name is:.....

Please make a note on my records  
"BSL Interpreter required". Thank you.

# I use British Sign Language (BSL)

## How to use your card

- When your appointment is booked, show them your BSL card.
- Take your card to every appointment – you may meet someone new.
- Ask for your records to be marked "**BSL Interpreter required**"

## Who will book Interpreters for me?

- Your doctor's surgery, dentist, hospital etc. will book an Interpreter to meet you at your appointment. All Interpreters are qualified and follow strict rules.

## What will the Interpreters do?

- Help you communicate in BSL and English
- Help you understand any information and advice given to you

**They will not** make decisions for you about your health

## Why are Interpreters important?

- They give you confidence to ask questions, make decisions and be involved.

## Will I have to pay?

- **No** The doctor, dentist, hospital will pay

## I have lost my card. What should I do?

Contact Deafness Resource Centre, St Helens, for a new card

- Phone 01744 23887 (use Tynetalk)
- Email [enquiries@deafnessresourcecentre.org](mailto:enquiries@deafnessresourcecentre.org)
- Text 07508 851959

### Remember:

**YOU** are responsible for telling staff you use BSL.

**THEY** are responsible for booking your Interpreters.