The Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (MCDHH) has created a Coronavirus Visual Tool to assist Medical Professionals and Deaf and hard of hearing individuals communicate better during medical appointments.

**Coronavirus Visual Tool (pdf) use:**

**-Option 1:** Download pdf and print it, front and back, on 8.5 x 11 paper

-You may wish to laminate it (particularly if medical providers feel the laminate can be disinfected)

Or

**-Option 2:** Download pdf to a phone or tablet to be used on screen

**-Medical Providers can use the icons, and communication tips, to:**

-communicate illness prevention

-determine symptoms, severity and timeframe

-communicate treatment and ongoing care

-learn the preferred method of communication

**-Deaf or Hard of Hearing Individuals can use the icons to help communicate:**

            -preferred method of communication

            -symptoms, severity and timeframe

            -ask questions about care

            -know where to get current information regarding Coronavirus

**Get more information at:**

**-Commonwealth of Massachusetts**: <https://mass.gov/covid19>

**-Executive Office of Health &** **Human Services:** <https://mass.gov/eohhs> or call: Dial 211

**-Massachusetts Commission** **for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing:** <https://mass.gov/mcdhh> or email: [MCDsafety@mass.gov](mailto:MCDsafety@mass.gov)

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\*\*MCDHH website should contain the following statement:

MCDHH would like to express gratitude to Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities who have graciously allowed us to adapt and add to their *Be Prepared, Have a Plan: Emergency Preparedness Toolkit for People with Disabilities* which is the product of years of work by past and present members of the Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities.