



STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL & FINANCIAL REGULATION
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION
AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS



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ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
August 13, 2026

Location:

Physical Location: Kennebec Room at the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Gardiner Annex, 76 Northern Avenue, Gardiner, ME

Time: 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Zoom Link:

<https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/84965602351?pwd=3XOOLCidYQZkox5LMf6FDfHZBARH2E.1>

Meeting ID: 849 6560 2351

Passcode: 76898177

The Zoom link for virtual observation is also posted on the website (What's New):

<https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/american-sign-language-interpreters>

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1) **Welcome** – (*Penny Vaillancourt*)

2) **Introductions** (*All*)

- Name
- Role/Position

3) **Meeting Norms and Etiquette** (*Matt Webster*)

- Using interpreters and access features

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4) Licensure Updates (*Matt Webster or Tristen Evah Hellewell*)

- Review of passing LD 2087
 - <https://legislature.maine.gov/legis/bills/getPDF.asp?paper=HP1402&item=3&snum=132>
- Outstanding requests for updates from HCIFS

5) Advisory Council Development (*Penn Vaillancourt*)

- General goal of advisory board
- OPOR expectations for advisory board
- How an advisory board functions

6) TIME Goals for Licensure (*Matt Webster or Tristen Evah Hellewell*)

- What outstanding recommendations for licensure are there (from TIME project recommendations)
- What is possible for screening options that do not include RID/CASLI?

7) Next Steps (*Matt Webster/Penny Vaillancourt*)