

## 2020 ASL Interpreter Conference



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## NO MORE TEARS: FEEDBACK STRATEGIES THAT WORK!

**August 29, 2020**  
**9a-4p ET**  
**0.6 CEUs**

zoom



**Sonja Smith**

The most hated word in the interpreting profession is the “F” word—feedback. Your heart drops. You start thinking, “oh no...what did I do wrong?” But it doesn't have to be that way! In fact, it shouldn't be that way!

This workshop focuses on both sides of the feedback dance. First we examine how we can improve our receptiveness towards feedback through clear expectations and boundaries and then we identify practical techniques for providing feedback starting from within.

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## Presenter Bio

Sonja has been interpreting professionally for over 15 years. Until recently, she lived in Austin, Texas and worked in private practice, specializing in conference interpreting, legal interpreting, and interpreting from ASL to English. She holds BEI Master, BEI Court, and RID NIC certifications and is licensed as a standard level 3, medical/mental health endorsed, and legal endorsed in the state of Michigan. In 2016, Sonja obtained her Master's in Interpreting Studies with an emphasis in interpreter education. Using best andragogical practices to inform her teaching, she has developed many professional development opportunities. Her passions are encouraging ethical fitness, empowering interpreters as business owners, and improving ASL to English interpretation skills. Most importantly, she wants people to enjoy the learning process.



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