

I am in favor of the RID certification requirements that the FCC is thinking about adopting. This is a Federal agency and therefore, I think there should be a national standard for all practitioners to adhere to. I am aware that there are many states with tests of their own but that allows for a very wide variance in skills and aptitude. If the state does have a testing system one of two things will happen: If the state test is up to par then the interpreters should have no problem passing it or if it is not then they will have to raise their standard of certification. Also there are states that do not have certification systems at all and that to me is unacceptable. I do however think that several agencies from consumer advocate groups to professional agencies need to be involved to make sure the standard is fair and equitable for all involved.