

Utah Regulations and Administrative Code

Regulation

Regulations for the Utah School for the Deaf and Blind (do not deal specifically with interveners, which are covered in the Administrative Code):

- [53A-25b](#) – Overall regulations for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
- Subsections relevant to deaf-blindness include:
- [53A-25b-103](#) – Specifies that USDB may provide services to students with deafblindness statewide
 - [53A-25b-301](#) – Specifies who is eligible for USDB services
 - [53A-25b-306](#) – Designates a state deaf-blind education specialist to help oversee services throughout the state (includes the responsibility to “facilitate the design of and assist with the implementation of one-on-one intervention programs in school districts, charter schools, and at the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind for those who are deafblind”)
 - [53A-25b-307\(2\)](#) - Specifies funding for an “Educational Enrichment Program for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Visually Impaired Students.

Administrative Code

The Utah Administrative Code includes a section on Services for Students with Sensory Impairments ([Rule R277-801](#)). The subsection “277-801-6. Services for Qualifying Students” contains information about interveners. Key language from this section includes the following:

(5) USDB shall provide deaf-blind services to all eligible Utah students at no cost to the student's LEA in accordance with the student's IEP or 504 plan.

(6) USDB shall provide interveners to all eligible Utah students subject to the following:

(a) USDB shall provide interveners to an LEA at no cost to the LEA;

(b) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (6)(a), an LEA may provide their own interveners or substitute interveners and may receive financial support from USDB at the LEA's rate of pay for comparable paraprofessionals;

(ii) Financial support from USDB to an LEA for interveners or substitute interveners may not exceed the amount paid for comparable paraprofessionals in the USDB salary schedule;

(c) All interveners or substitute interveners must complete the USDB intervener training or a national certification

(d) An LEA will provide documentation for reimbursement of an intervener or substitute intervener it hires according to USDB's reimbursement schedule;

(e) USDB shall provide a plan for training of all interveners and substitute interveners to an LEA annually; and

(f) An LEA and USDB shall develop a plan for the provision of a substitute intervener to meet an eligible student's needs, which may include:

- (i) a USDB-hired substitute intervener;
- (ii) an LEA-hired substitute intervener; or
- (iii) other mutually agreeable arrangements.

