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## NAATI ON HOLD - SLIANZ AND AUT RESPONSE

10 May 2023

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*(for background please see our [original statement here](#))*

SLIANZ and AUT would like to acknowledge the NZSL Board statement, which was published [on 4 May 2023](#). In the statement the Board said that the implementation of NAATI would be put on hold in response to the community's passionate discussion. They said they will collect further information and evaluate their decision.

SLIANZ and AUT would like to thank the Board for listening to the community.

SLIANZ and AUT still stand by all the points raised in our original joint statement and believe that introducing a certificate pathway would do irreversible damage to professional standards and would be detrimental to the Deaf community.

SLIANZ and AUT look forward to more transparent conversations about interpreter standards, and to working collaboratively with the NZSL Board, stakeholders, and the community.