

DEAF WOMEN

Deaf women face many of the same risks of abuse that all women face, plus additional risks specifically related to being deaf. Deaf women often have extremely limited access to appropriate and accessible educational programs, health and social services and most notably the justice system. Attitudinal barriers when accessing services tend to compound the woman's experiences of trauma resulting from her abuse. When deaf and hard of hearing women do not have full access to services or cannot participate in those due to lack of supports they may be further isolated and more likely to return to abusive situations.

SERVICES:

1. The Canadian Hearing Society (Belleville)

For More Information on Abuse of Deaf Women, See:

Women with Disabilities, Deaf Women and the Domestic Violence Courts
www.cleonet.ca

Deaf Women of Canada
www.deafwomencanada.ca