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Matt:

The intent of the new language added to create an exception to the privilege (s. 905.043 (4)) is to subject the interpreter to the same exceptions to a privileged communication as the receiver of the information. Thus, if the interpreter is providing interpretation services between a patient and a physician, the exceptions to the physician-patient privilege in s. 905.04 (4) would also apply to the interpreter. For example, the interpreter could not claim a privilege if the communication was relevant to proceedings to hospitalize the patient for mental illness (see s. 905.04 (4) (a)). If this is unclear as drafted, please let me know.

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