**COVID-19 Disability Rights Monitor**

The world, including your country, is facing enormous challenges caused by COVID-19. To support the global understanding of consequences of these challenges on persons with disabilities, this Initiative wants to gather information (i) on the experiences of persons with disabilities, and (ii) on how States are responding to states of emergency situations in relation to this specific population.

In order to ensure that inherent dignity of persons with disabilities is respected worldwide even during this pandemic, you are invited to complete this survey to inform our global advocacies.

Please note that, at the end of the questionnaire, you can choose to be anonymous or you can enter your contact details. In order to be successful in supporting the global understanding of the current situation, we will make all responses public on [www.covid-drm.org](http://www.covid-drm.org)

*Please note that the identity of survey participants will remain confidential and anonymous.*

*Please also note that this questionnaire should not be used to officially report abuse, neglect and other forms of ill-treatment.*

Should you have any questions about the questionnaire or the *COVID-19 Disability Rights Monitor*, or are having technical difficulties completing this survey, please contact our colleagues [monitoring@covid-drm.org](mailto:monitoring@covid-drm.org).

Thank you!

Validity Foundation

European Network on Independent Living

International Disability Alliance

Disability Rights International

Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria

International Disability and Development Consortium

Disability Rights Fund / Disability Rights Advocacy Fund

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**1. Country**

**2. Please select your status**

Government / Governmental body

National Human Rights Institution

National Preventive Mechanism

CRPD National Monitoring Mechanism

Person with disabilities

Organisation of Persons with Disabilities

Family member of a person with disabilities

Other, please specify:

**Questionnaire for NHRIs/NPMs/CRPD Monitoring Mechanisms**

Please provide answers to these questions **in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic.** We recognise that you may not be able to answer all questions, so you may indicate “Not in my area of expertise” where applicable.

Please note that for the purposes of the present questionnaire, **‘institutions’ include** the following state and private-run settings: social care institutions, group homes, children’s institutions, boarding schools, psychiatric health care institutions, forensic psychiatric settings, homes for older persons, nursing homes and shelters for homeless people. A set of other definitions can be found here.

Please note that questions marked with \* must be answered, while other questions are optional.

**\*1. Are you continuing to visit and monitor institutions and group homes where persons with disabilities are detained?**

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Yes

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No

If yes, please describe how these visits and monitoring are different from the usual ones?

If no, please explain.

**\*2. Are there any mechanisms for remote monitoring of abuses of persons with disabilities if in-person visits are limited due to the immediate crisis?**

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Yes

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No

Please describe/explain.

**\*3. Do you have any information on whether penalties resulting from breaking state of emergency rules (fines, sanctions, arrest) are imposed on persons with disabilities or their personal assistants and carers, because of support and care provided for persons with disabilities?**

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Not in my area of expertise

If yes, please describe/explain.

**\*4. Has the Government taken measures in order to protect the life, health and safety of persons with disabilities staying at/living in** **institutions?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*5. Has the Government taken measures in order to protect the life, health and safety of persons with disabilities living in the community?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*6. Has the Government taken measures in order to protect the life, health and safety of older persons with disabilities living either in institutions or in the community?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*7. Has the Government taken measures in order to protect the life, health and safety of children with disabilities living either in institutions or in the community (including family, foster family, or kinship care)?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*8. Has the Government taken measures in order to protect the life, health and safety of persons with disabilities living on the streets or in shelters for homeless persons?**

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Not in my area of expertise

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**\*9. Has the Government taken measures in relation to children with disabilities attending residential schools?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*10. Has the Government taken measures to ensure that persons with disabilities who are living in the community continue to have access to personal assistance and/or care, to the extent that they need it to remain living safely in their own homes?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*11. Has the Government taken measures in order to support families of children with disabilities during the state of emergency situation?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*12. Has the Government taken measures to maintain or increase support by social and health care services in the community for persons with disabilities who require it in relation to the current state of emergency (for example, to be able to access food and basic supplies, medication and equipment, therapies and development interventions etc.)?**

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Not in my area of expertise

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**\*13. Has the Government forbidden or restricted persons with disabilities from leaving social care institutions during the state of emergency?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*14. Has the Government restricted or banned visits of family members, friends and others into social care institutions where persons with disabilities live?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*15. Has the Government restricted or banned visits of family members, friends and others into psychiatric health care settings including hospitals, hospital departments and forensic psychiatric settings, maintained either publicly or privately?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*16. Has the Government taken measures in order for persons with disabilities staying at/living in institutions to be informed about the state of emergency situation, including the restrictions/bans on visits of external people, in a manner that is accessible and appropriate?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*17. Has the Government taken measures with regard to persons with disabilities in rural and remote areas?**

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*18. In which of the below formats have the information on COVID-19 been provided to persons with disabilities in your country? Check all measures that you are aware of.**

* Information has not been provided in any accessible format
* Information has been made available in Sign Language
* Information has been made available in Easy Read or Plain Language
* Information has been made available in audio formats
* Information has been made available to people living in institutions
* Information has been made available in multiple languages
* Websites are accessible for screen reader users
* Captioning services have been provided
* Other (please specify)

**\*19. Has the Government distributed personal protective equipment (for example, face masks, gloves etc) to persons with disabilities living either in institutions or in the community?**

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Yes, but this is not sufficient

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer

**\*20. Has the Government distributed personal protective equipment (for example, face masks, gloves etc) to caregivers and personal assistants to persons with disabilities?**

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Yes, and this is sufficient

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Yes, but this is not sufficient

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer

**\*21. Do persons with disabilities in both public and private institutions or in the community have access to independent complaints mechanisms and to lawyers?**

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There are no complaint mechanisms or legal assistance available

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There are some complaint mechanisms or legal assistance, but they are not accessible or confidential

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*22. Has the Government taken measures to ensure that persons with disabilities can access general and specialised medical health care?**

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Significant measures

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Not in my area of expertise

Please explain your answer.

**\*23. Do you have any data on numbers of persons with disabilities infected by COVID-19?**

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Yes

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No

If yes, please provide disaggregated data by gender, age, place of residence (institutional setting, home or other) and type of disability. Please indicate the data source. If no, please explain.

**\*24. Do you have any data on the number of deaths of persons with disabilities from COVID-19?**

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Yes

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No

If yes, please provide disaggregated data by gender, age, place of residence (institutional setting, home or other) and type of disability. Please indicate the data source. If no, please explain.

**\*25. In order for us to better follow up on your response, please let us know more about you.**

I prefer to be anonymous

For the purpose of following up this questionnaire, I will enter my contact details below

Name:

Name of the Organisation:

Department/Unit:

Position:

Email:

***Data protection*: By entering my contact details above, I consent for organisations involved in the COVID-19 Disability Rights Monitor initiative to access, store, process and use the data provided on this form solely for the purposes of this initiative, and in accordance with their respective data protection and privacy policies.**

**[box] I agree**