

Disability Inclusive Community Action: COVID-19 Matrix

Responses for Disabled People’s Organisations

This matrix is meant for DPO actors and their community organisations partners. It is essential that DPOs ensure effective participation of persons with disabilities in the emergency responses to COVID-19 at national, provincial, district and community levels. This calls for the DPOs to be proactive and engaging. The matrix below shows you which action areas you are required to engage actively.

Compassion	Communication	Networks	Participation	Access
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote and protect wellbeing • Listen. Encourage hope, safety and calmness • Be considerate (self-protection, social distancing) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share your contact details and stay connected • Ensure messages are accessible to all • Ensure messages are clear and truthful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure Organizations of Persons with Disabilities play a key role in awareness raising • Coordinate with other community groups • Support and promote exchange of good practices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be part of community conversations • Ensure persons with disabilities contribute to the outbreak response • Ensure community based organizations lead on inclusive communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure accessible and alternative communication is available to all • Secure access to necessities (water, food, medicine etc.) • Ensure access to services and financial support

Please share this matrix with as many of your networks and partners as possible. Share also with your members.

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