

# ACHIEVING DISABILITY EQUITY IN VACCINATIONS AND DISASTER RESPONSE

Workbooks for Centers for  
Independent Living and  
Community-Based  
Disability Organizations



## FIVE MINI-WORKBOOKS

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- 2 Understanding Agencies
- 3 Addressing Bias
- 4 Building Meaningful Relationships
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Equity for people with disabilities in vaccination programs and in disaster response relies on a variety of different factors, including:

- Accessible programs and facilities
- Effective and meaningful communication
- Community-agency relationships that support a whole-community approach
- The ability of centers for independent living, community-based disability organizations, and disability stakeholders to know, understand, and effectively engage with agencies and service providers to create and sustain equitable opportunities and experiences for people with disabilities

## Workbooks In This Package

The workbooks in this package are intended to help community-based organizations to engage with local and public health representatives and agencies in support of accessible environments, collaborate on inclusive planning, and effectively provide their valuable subject matter expertise. The workbooks include ideas, rationale, implementation recommendations, and hands-on tools. They are designed to support existing guidance documents,

toolkits, and recommended best practices with ideas on how to improve health equity for people with disabilities, and cover common topics that can contribute to barriers to inclusion. The workbooks are designed to be used individually or together.

## **Five Workbooks**

1. Public Health Language  
Common language used in public health and disaster programs
2. Local Government Agencies - How They Work  
Basic introduction to public health systems and processes
3. Understanding Systemic Bias  
Proactive problem-solving strategies for impacting systemic bias
4. Building Relationships and Working Groups  
Asset-mapping tool
5. Advocacy That Builds Equity  
Advocacy in disaster planning, response, and recovery

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