



UNPRPD



Partnership on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

UNPRPD: Engaging with Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action Matters

About UNPRPD Fund

- ✓ UNPRPD stands for United Nations Partnership on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- ✓ We are a Fund, part of the United Nations
- ✓ The United Nations is where 193 countries work together to make the world better and safer



What does the fund do?

- ✓ It gives money to United Nations organizations in different countries around the world
- ✓ It tells United Nations organizations to use this money to make sure people with disabilities have their rights
- ✓ It makes sure the United Nations and governments listen to people with disabilities about what they need

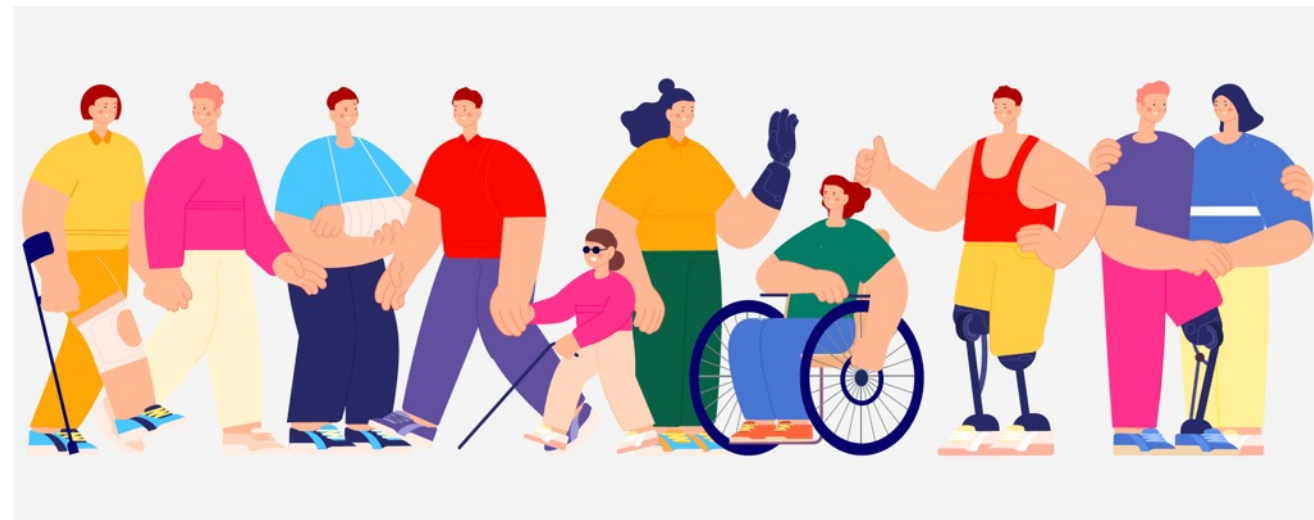


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How UNPRPD Fund works

UNPRPD has three ways for working with organizations of people with disabilities:

- ✓ We make sure **all** programmes partner with organizations of people with disabilities
- ✓ We make sure **all** disability representative organizations are partners including self-advocates'
- ✓ We make sure **women and girls with disabilities** have equal rights



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People with disabilities decide

We also make sure:

- ✓ Organizations of people with disabilities have a say in all decisions
- ✓ Organizations of people with disabilities are part of decision-making like steering committees or advisory groups



Inclusion of everyone matters

- ✓ We make sure that no one is left out by reaching out to organizations of people with disabilities
- ✓ And by finding other groups often left behind like people with psychosocial disabilities, Deafblind people, people with albinism and people with intellectual disabilities



Equality for women and girls

- ✓ We work to make sure women and girls with disabilities have their rights
- ✓ We make sure women with disabilities have a say and are included



UNPRPD Fund around the world

- ✓ **1,057** organizations of people with disabilities participated in UNPRPD programmes in 80 countries
- ✓ **54%** of UNPRPD programmes had to do with the rights for women and girls with disabilities
- ✓ **46%** of UNPRPD programmes had to do with rights of people with disabilities who are more marginalized



- ✓ We make sure our programmes are accessible
- ✓ We make sure our communications and information are accessible using Easy Read and Easy to Understand
- ✓ We worked with Inclusion International to learn how to do this



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Accessible communication

- ✓ We support the United Nations to use accessible communication
- ✓ For example: We require reports and written documents to be accessible using Easy-to-Read

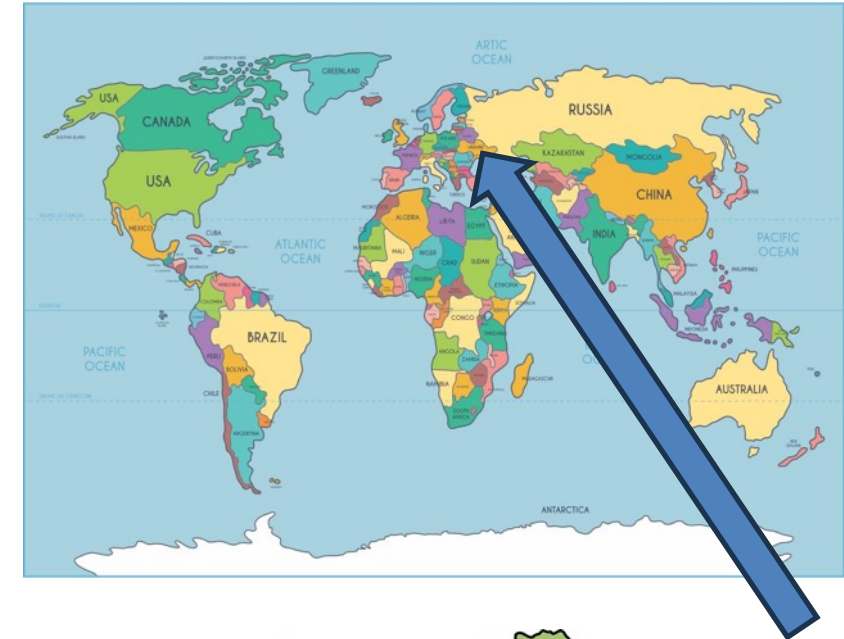
Violence against people with disabilities because of their gender during COVID-19

Know your rights & checklist




Our work in emergency response and humanitarian crises

- We support people with disabilities in Ukraine to have information, services and a place to stay to keep them safe during the conflict
- We also support people with disabilities from Ukraine who had to leave their homes and now live in Moldova and Georgia



Our work to do with humanitarian response

- ✓ United Nations organizations in Ukraine worked with people with disabilities
- ✓ Together they wrote a document to make sure communication is accessible during an emergency



Assessment of Accessibility of Notification and Alerting in Crises and during Humanitarian Response

- ✓ United Nations organizations and the government in Zimbabwe worked with women with disabilities
- ✓ They made sure the National Preparedness and Response Plan to do with emergencies like floods included women with disabilities



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Photograph of women with disabilities in Zimbabwe meeting with UN organization having to do with women's rights

What are the gaps?

- ✓ People with disabilities should have more of a say about things that matter to them
- ✓ People with disabilities need to be seen as the experts on inclusion
- ✓ They need to be seen as partners and not just participants



What we learned

- ✓ Disability inclusion needs to be part of all humanitarian and emergency response efforts
- ✓ It must be coordinated across UN organizations
- ✓ Inclusion must be planned in the beginning (for example all new shelters should be accessible)



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What is important to do

- ✓ Find organizations of persons with disabilities
- ✓ Make sure to include all types of people with disabilities including self-advocates
- ✓ Invite people with disabilities and their organizations to be part of decision-making to do with climate change and humanitarian emergencies



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What is important to do

- ✓ Ask persons with disabilities what they need in humanitarian emergencies
- ✓ Ask persons with disabilities what kind of support they need to feel safe
- ✓ Make sure persons with disabilities have a say having to do with the environment and climate change



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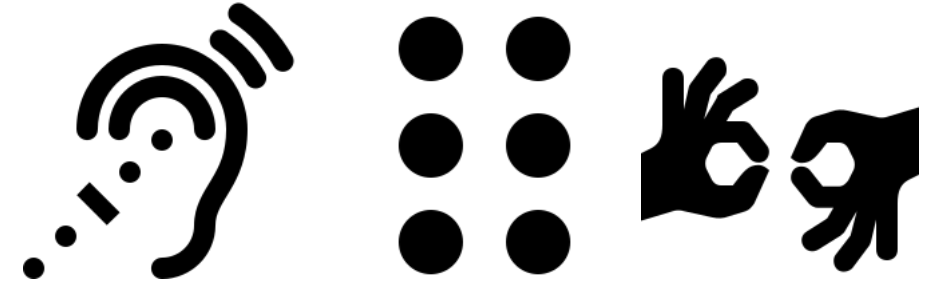
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- ✓ Support organizations of persons with disabilities groups to become stronger
- ✓ Make sure persons with disabilities have a role in the work
- ✓ Make sure they know what is going on along the way
- ✓ Make sure persons with disabilities can have an equal say in decisions



What is important to do

✓ Make sure your work is fully accessible



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✓ Provide Easy-to-Read information

✓ Plan meetings and communication using Easy-to-Understand formats



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