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There are people with disabilities of all ages, races, genders and national origins. And disabilities can impact a person in a variety of ways—both visible and invisible.  For people with disabilities and their families, it is important to consider individual circumstances and needs to effectively prepare for emergencies and disasters. | | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Public Service Announcements** | | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | There are four steps you can take to be prepared for disasters:   * **Stay Informed** * **Make a Plan** * **Build a Kit** * **Get Involved**   **Stay informed**. Know what types of disasters impact your area. Sign up for emergency alerts. Pay attention to emergency broadcasts. Knowing when and how to evacuate and where to go to shelter can save your life.  **Make a plan.** Talk with your family or roommates. Discuss how you’ll evacuate or shelter in place. Decide how you’ll communicate if disaster hits when you’re not home.  **Build a kit.** Think about more than just food, water, and clothing.  People with disabilities should consider the items they use on a daily basis, as well as life-sustaining items such as medications or batteries for assistive devices.  Find more examples and resources for people with disabilities in these Preparedness Disaster Preparedness Public Service Announcements (PSAs):   * [I use a Wheelchair](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PXlnSEdDb3RCWEJjJmxpc3Q9UEw3MjBLd19Pb2psTHVfNjktamRXVmZJNDJsQlZtcHFoOSZpbmRleD00In0.k5gOB-CeclcXNS4J8Q32897ahjFhWw3tKNtpk2DLZFI/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [I am Hard of Hearing](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PTZ2WjNrdTdKZ29jJmxpc3Q9UEw3MjBLd19Pb2psTHVfNjktamRXVmZJNDJsQlZtcHFoOSZpbmRleD01In0.UKSjUL_9mqLoZO9w68UdHow32sxM27_y91TMIB4PA7w/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [I am Blind](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PWVXS2Nyb1JKVXc4Jmxpc3Q9UEw3MjBLd19Pb2psTHVfNjktamRXVmZJNDJsQlZtcHFoOSZpbmRleD02In0.-R3zX48zjxFTypxHf4cJ95X6RYNXE-FQnG8FAcyW2wk/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l)     **Stakeholders: Share with your Communities**  Share these important messages with your communities by using our new [Personal Preparedness for People with Disabilities Social Media Toolkit](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5yZWFkeS5nb3YvZGlzYWJpbGl0eS10b29sa2l0In0.28IwtEONPUBbhfXTOROtR3UEL2t1btKhkiRBK7jgG6g/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l).  The kit includes:   * First-person preparedness tips on building a kit and making a plan; * :15-:20-second social media videos with captioning and ASL intepretation; * Sample social media messages; * Links to the new PSAs for people with disabilities.     **Prepare and Protect with a COVID Vaccine**  The most important thing you and your family can do to prepare for a disaster is to make sure you are vaccinated.  Watch and share this new PSA with important information for people with disabilities:   * [COVID Vaccine Protects People with Disabilities](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDUsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PVZlbC10eU5xQUZZIn0.ETScIyj6N_kUPwc6mp-ZZmY2D9RCuEcrAs-puFe6NP8/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l)     **Additional Resources**     * [Individuals with Disabilities | Ready.gov](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDYsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5yZWFkeS5nb3YvZGlzYWJpbGl0eSJ9.MJ1bvB-KT1hJeD8m2uEPRaylpawcyUrTE7LuvBAc-Ic/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [Planifique con tiempo para los desastres | Ready.gov (listo.gov)](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDcsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5saXN0by5nb3YvZXMifQ.AQDHhjqyWu6nbcP8s57MldX_MMfQe1rhOup6RRuRWIs/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [Ready.gov/floods](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDgsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5yZWFkeS5nb3YvZmxvb2RzIn0.CWIuJbjPKsDZVab4dqWL-u-Hs4L-mxu2zu30f_xLz8M/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [We Prepare Everyday](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDksInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PWRjbkNRX3BkVkNZIn0.FIJUTWcsdQwGdx-2WQk02cvc94V08H3tKzHhfctV39Y/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [We Prepare Everyday](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTAsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PWlHZGRXeW9Xa3lnIn0.3Be37-WLy2uLSufhhjQNkslRs21gcHPhOhysrjxVXgc/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) (with audio description) * [Be Informed](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PTN1NnZvOVEtVXE0In0.lvNaxBW0m67ejcpclMSIbhAzM1bs_wprxJb5_6Vrlk8/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [Make A Plan](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3lvdXR1LmJlL1R5Ymp3R0xIQTg4In0.bT4tRiSZ_Kp2ii1Wr6j5BrLTSqFMD299ktrEA1cVkOI/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) * [Build A Kit](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA4MjcuNDUxNDYyNjEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy55b3V0dWJlLmNvbS93YXRjaD92PWtKdURYb3JPOV9nIn0.rGdMFDNUt9dwE-GnWd5YsQvwlrAgxyWxbHxGUk0ndtg/s/1795454015/br/111529272589-l) | | | | |  |