



Washington Group on Disability Statistics

2020 Virtual Meeting of the Washington Group on Disability Statistics (WG)

22-24 September 2020
Detailed Program

The meeting schedule for each day will last two and a half (2.5) hours. All content presented during the Schedule I sessions will be repeated for Schedule II. The times for both Schedules I and II are listed below. The times are listed for the United States Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) zone. Please use a time zone converter, such as www.timeanddate.com, to find the corresponding time in your location.

Schedule I: 09:00 – 11:30 (US EDT)
14:00 – 16:30 (UTC/GMT)

Schedule II: 18:00 – 20:30 (US EDT)
23:00 – 01:30 (UTC/GMT)

Day 1: Tuesday, 22 September 2020

Moderator: Julie Weeks, WG Secretariat (USA)

Session 1: Opening Session (18:00 – 18:30)

This session will include welcoming remarks; provide practical information; review of developments since the 19th WG meeting; and review the objectives and agenda for the 2020 virtual meeting.

18:00 – 18:10

- 1) Introduction and general information for meeting participants

Moderator: Julie Weeks, WG Secretariat (USA)

18:10 – 18:30

- 2) Welcoming remarks and overview of objectives for the 2020 virtual meeting

Presenter: Jennifer Madans, Chair, WG Steering Committee

Session 2: Launch of the New & Improved WG Website (18:30 – 19:30)

This session will include a review of recent updates to the WG website followed by a discussion of potential refinements to improve the website's utility and functionality.

18:30 – 19:00

- 1) Updates & Improvements to the WG Website

Presenters: Mitchell Loeb and Angela Sarkisian, University College London

19:00 – 19:30

- 2) Q & A / Discussion of Additional Website Refinements

Facilitator: Julie Weeks, WG Secretariat (USA)

19:30 – 19:40 *Break*

Session 3: COVID and Disability (19:40 – 20:30)

This session will include a summary of the country reports and presentations by country representatives on disability and COVID-related data collection activities.

19:40 – 19:50

- 1) WG Country Reports: Reported COVID and Disability Data Collection Activities

Presenter: Cordell Golden, WG Secretariat (USA)

19:50 – 20:00

- 2) Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities: The Importance of Collecting Data on COVID and Persons with Disabilities and Findings

Presenter: Elizabeth Lockwood, CBM Global Disability Inclusion

20:00 – 20:10

- 3) COVID and Disability Data Collection Activities in Finland
Presenter: Jennifer Madans on behalf of Päivi Sainio, Finland

20:10 – 20:20

- 4) Differential challenges of people with disabilities in the context of Covid-19: Insights from Colombia
Presenter: Karen Garcia, Colombia

20:20 – 20:30

- 5) Q & A
Facilitator: Jennifer Madans, Chair, WG Steering Committee

End of Sessions for Day 1

Day 2: Wednesday, 23 September 2020

Moderator: Jennifer Madans, Chair, WG Steering Committee

Session 4: Workgroup Updates – WG Data: Analysis and Dissemination (18:00 – 19:30)

This session will include an update from the analysis workgroup, including a review of the work on the development of severity indicators and indicators for people with difficulty in multiple functional domains. The session will also include recommendations and examples for disseminating data collected using the WG questions.

18:00 – 18:30

- 1) Update on the Development of Severity Indicators using the WG questions
Presenter: Mitchell Loeb, University College London

18:30 – 18:45

- 2) Q & A / Discussion of Next Steps
Facilitator: Daniel Mont, Center for Inclusive Policy

18:45 – 19:15

- 3) Disseminating Data Collected using the WG questions: Examples
Presenter: Julie Weeks, USA

19:15 – 19:30

- 4) Q & A / Discussion of Next Steps
Facilitator: Daniel Mont, Center for Inclusive Policy

19:30 – 19:40 *Break*

Session 5: Workgroup Updates – Environment and Participation (19:40 – 20:30)

This session will include an update from the recently re-established workgroup focusing on the development of questions focusing on environmental factor and participation.

19:40 – 20:10

- 1) Presentation of a draft terms of reference for the workgroup
Presenter: Jennifer Madans on behalf of Robert Buluma, Kenya

20:10 – 20:30

- 2) Discussion of Next Steps
Facilitator: Cordell Golden, WG Secretariat (USA)

End of Sessions for Day 2

Day 3: Thursday, 24 September 2020

Moderator: Cordell Golden, WG Secretariat (USA)

Session 6 - Workgroup Updates – Child Functioning and Disability (18:00 – 18:40)

This session will include an update on the WG’s collaboration with UNICEF to develop a shortened question module on child functioning intended to be administered to teachers and school administrators (i.e. WG/UNICEF Child Functioning Module – Teacher Version (CFM-TV)) and questions intended for the measurement of inclusive education for children.

18:00 – 18:15

- 1) Update on the Development of the Module on Inclusive Education
Presenter: Mitchell Loeb, University College London

18:15 – 18:30

- 2) Update on the Child Functioning Module – Teachers Version (CFM-TV)
Presenter: Mitchell Loeb, University College London

18:30 – 18:40

- 3) Q & A / Discussion of Next Steps
Facilitator: Julie Weeks, WG Secretariat (USA)

Session 7: Workgroup Updates – Psychosocial Functioning and Mental Health (18:40 – 19:15)

This session will include an update on the work to develop measures specific to psychosocial functioning; followed by a discussion of the next steps for the workgroup.

18:40 – 19:00

- 1) Update on Work Related Psychosocial Functioning and Mental Health
Presenter: Julie Weeks on behalf of Margie Schneider, University of Cape Town and Elena DePalma, Italy

19:00 – 19:15

- 2) Q & A / Discussion of Next Steps
Facilitator: Jennifer Madans, Chair, WG Steering Committee

19:15 – 19:25 *Break*

Session 8: WG’s Efforts to Establish Regional Entities (19:25 – 20:15)

This session will include an update on the WG’s efforts to establish regional entities to collaborate on implementation activities and share best practices for the collection of disability data at the regional level

19:25 – 19:35

- 1) Overview of the WG’s Regional Entity Building Efforts
Presenter: Jennifer Madans, Chair, WG Steering Committee

19:35 – 19:45

- 2) Update from Pacific Group on Disability Statistics
Presenter: Malaefono Taua-Taaloga, Samoa

19:45 – 19:55

- 3) Update from Buenos Aires Group
Presenter: Sofía Muhafra and Nicolás Petresky, Argentina

19:55 – 20:05

- 4) Update from Brazzaville Group
Presenter: Jennifer Madans on behalf of Mboko Ibara Stève Bertrand, Republic of the Congo

20:05 – 20:15

- 5) Q & A / Discussion of Next Steps
Facilitator: Cordell Golden, WG Secretariat (USA)

Session 9: Meeting Accomplishments & Next Steps for the WG (20:15 – 20:30)

The Steering Committee chair will lead a discussion summarizing the accomplishments of the virtual meeting and outlining next steps.

20:15 – 20:30

- 1) Discussion of Meeting Accomplishments and Next Steps
Facilitator: Jennifer Madans, Chair, WG Steering Committee

End of 2020 WG Virtual Meeting