



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 (9:00 – 9:30)

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.

9:00 – 9:10

- 1) Introduction and general information for meeting participants
Moderator: Julie Weeks, WG Secretariat (USA)

9:10 – 9:30

- 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 (9:30 – 10:30)

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.

9:30 – 10:00

- 1) Updates & Improvements to the WG Website
Presenters: Mitchell Loeb and Angela Sarkisian, University College London

10:00 – 10:30

- 2) Q & A / Discussion of Additional Website Refinements
Facilitator: Julie Weeks, WG Secretariat (USA)

10:30 – 10:40 *Break*

Session 3: COVID and Disability (10:40 – 11:30)

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

10:40 – 10:50

- 1) WG Country Reports: Reported COVID and Disability Data Collection Activities
Presenter: Cordell Golden, WG Secretariat (USA)

10:50 – 11:00

- 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

11:00 – 11:10

- 3) COVID and Disability Data Collection Activities in Finland
Presenter: Päivi Sainio, Finland

11:10 – 11:20

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

11:20 – 11:30

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

End of Sessions for Day 1

Day 2: Wednesday, 23 September 2020

Moderator: Mitchell Loeb, University College London

Session 4: Workgroup Updates – WG Data: Analysis and Dissemination (9:00 – 10:30)

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.

9:00 – 9:30

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

9:30 – 9:45

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

9:45 – 10:15

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

10:15 – 10:30

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

10:30 – 10:40 *Break*

Session 5: Workgroup Updates – Environment and Participation (10:40 – 11:30)

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

10:40 – 11:10

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

11:10 – 11:30

- 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 (9:00 – 9:40)

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.

9:00 – 9:15

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

9:15 – 9:30

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

9:30 – 9:40

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

Session 7: Workgroup Updates – Psychosocial Functioning and Mental Health (9:40 – 10:15)

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.

9:40 – 10:00

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

10:00 – 10:15

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

10:15 – 10:25 *Break*

Session 8: WG’s Efforts to Establish Regional Entities (10:25 – 11:15)

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

10:25 – 10:35

- 1) Overview of the WG’s Regional Entity Building Efforts
Presenter: Mitchell Loeb, University College London

10:35 – 10:45

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

10:45 – 10:55

- 3) Update from Buenos Aires Group
Presenter: Maria Cecilia Rodríguez Gauna and Sofía Muhafra, Argentina

10:55 – 11:05

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

11:05 – 11:15

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

Session 9: Meeting Accomplishments & Next Steps for the WG (11:15 – 11:30)

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

11:15 – 11:30

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

End of 2020 WG Virtual Meeting