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## Inclusion Without Assimilation: Responding to Disability Legislation in Canada

The Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC), with support from Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC), is looking for your feedback on how the *Accessible Canada Act* can respond to the unique needs of Indigenous women and gender diverse people with physical, cognitive, visual, sensory, or hearing-related impairments.

NWAC will be hosting a **virtual engagement session** learn about:

- the barriers and challenges to accessibility that you've faced;
- how to improve feedback processes for those who wish to voice concerns about the accessibility barriers they face
- recommendations on how the Government of Canada can make sure that the Accessible Canada Act responds to your needs;
- the actions you and your community can take to overcome these barriers, in cases where your accessibility needs aren't being met.

### *About the session*

This virtual engagement session will take place on **Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, EST. It will use Zoom videoconferencing software, and will be fully accessible.

Before the session, NWAC will send participants a confidential password they can use to sign in. Participants will be able to use pseudonyms when signing in, and will be able to turning off their video feed if they wish.

### *What will happen to the information shared?*

NWAC will write a paper based on what is shared through participant feedback. This paper will be presented to ESDC and will:

- make recommendations on how the Accessible Canada Act can be changed so that it better addresses your experiences and needs;
- make recommendations on how to ensure that when the federal government applies this Act, that their policies and decisions better reflect your needs and priorities.

To **register**, or to **obtain more information** about this session, please contact:

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