

# 10 Recommendations from the International Disability Alliance

In the light of the COVID19 pandemic and its disproportionate impact on persons with disabilities, the International Disability Alliance (IDA) has compiled the following list of the main barriers that persons with disabilities face in this emergency situation along with some practical solutions and recommendations.

**1** Persons with disabilities must receive information about infection mitigating tips, public restriction plans, and the services offered, in a diversity of accessible formats with use of accessible technologies.



**2** Additional protective measures must be taken for people with certain types of impairment



**3** Rapid awareness raising and training of personnel involved in the response are essential

**4** All preparedness and response plans must be inclusive of and accessible to women with disabilities



**5** No disability-based institutionalization and abandonment is acceptable



**6** During quarantine, support services, personal assistance, physical and communication accessibility must be ensured



**7** Measures of public restrictions must consider persons with disabilities on an equal basis with others

**8** Persons with disabilities in need of health services due to COVID19 cannot be deprioritized on the ground of their disability



**9** Organisations of persons with disabilities can and should play a key role in raising awareness of persons with disabilities and their families

**10** Organisations of persons with disabilities can and should play a key role in advocating for disability-inclusive response to the COVID19 crisis

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