The 5th panel of the Every Woman Every Child Everywhere series

Access and Dignity Displaced: Women, Children, Adolescents, and Disability in Humanitarian Emergencies

14 June 2017, 10:00am to 11:30am
Conference Room 11, UN Headquarters, Floor 1B

The Permanent Missions of the United Arab Emirates and Norway to the United Nations, in partnership with Every Woman Every Child and The Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies and Environments, are convening the fifth panel in the Every Woman Every Child Everywhere panel series, on the margins of the 10th Session of the Conference of State Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

The panel will examine how we can deliver integrated health and disability services to women, children and adolescents in humanitarian and fragile settings. It will consider:

- The intersection of gender, age, and disability, and its impact on the scope of needs and delivery of health and social services in humanitarian settings;
- Barriers to providing quality, accessible health care and social services to women, children and adolescents with visible and invisible disabilities in humanitarian settings;
- Effective approaches to address the health and social needs of persons with disabilities, both physical and psychosocial, and to include those with disabilities in the design and delivery of humanitarian response, disaster risk reduction, and resilience building;
- Data availability and improvement opportunities, as disability is not consistently screened by actors working in humanitarian and fragile settings.

The panel will consider the experience of various actors in providing holistic and integrated social, vocational, and health support to women, children and adolescents with disabilities in humanitarian and fragile settings. It will also outline approaches that Member States, the UN, humanitarian and development organizations, and other stakeholders can take to ensure the provision of health services to those with disabilities, including through the empowerment of their local communities.

Kindly RSVP by Thursday, 8 June 2017, following this link.

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