



Getting it Right 2018 National Inclusive Disaster Strategies Conference

May 23rd to May 25th, 2018

Washington Marriott at Metro Center
775 12th Street NW
Washington, DC

AGENDA

Wednesday, May 23

- 4:00-9:00 Registration
5:00-9:00 Exhibits
5:00-6:00 Reception and Networking
6:00-8:00 **Opening Session**
Marcie Roth, CEO, Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies
Paul Timmons, Chair, Portlight Strategies
Senator Bob Casey (PA) (invited)
Congressman Michael McCaul (TX) (invited)
- 2017-2018 Disaster After Action Report
 - Getting It Right Act
 - Center for Excellence in Disability Inclusion, Resilience and Accessibility Before, During, and After Disasters (CEDIRA)
- Portlight and National Disability Rights Network Memorandum of Agreement
Four Wheel City Musical Performance
- 8:00-9:00 Dessert Reception

Thursday, May 24

- 7:30-8:30 Registration
8 - 8:30 Breakfast with exhibitors



8:30 – 9 **Welcome**
 Marcie Roth, CEO, Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies

9:00-10:00 **W. Craig Fugate**, FEMA Administrator 2009-2017

10:00 - 10:20 **Congressman Benny Thompson (MS)**, Ranking Member, House Homeland Security Committee

10:20 -10:30 Break

10:30-11:30 **Getting It Right Act- How a Bill Becomes a Law**
 Michael Gamel-McCormick, Disability Policy Director, Senate Special Committee on Aging, *Moderator*
 Senate & House Staff

11:30 - 12:30 **Disability Rights and Disasters**
 John Wodatch, *Moderator*
 Jennifer Sultan, US Department of Homeland Security, Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
 Billy Altom, National Council on Disability
 Janet Collazo, Executive Director, Disability Rights Puerto Rico
 Rebecca Rodgers, Disability Rights Advocates

12:30 - 1:30 **Lunch with exhibitors**
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**Show Me the Money! Funding Disability Inclusive Preparedness, Response and Recovery**  
 Ben Smilowitz, Smart Response, Disaster Accountability Project  
 Rebekah Tosado, DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties  
 Marcie Roth, Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies

1 :30-2:30 **All Disasters are Local-Getting It Right on the Ground**  
 Paul Timmons, *Moderator*  
 Kelly Buckland, National Council on Independent Living  
 Disability Leaders from Puerto Rico, Texas, California and Hawaii

- Living Hope Wheelchair Association, Houston, TX
- California Foundation of Independent Living Centers
- Puerto Rico Disability and Disaster Network
- Hawaii Disability and Communication Access Board

2:30-3:30 **Public Health, Mass Care and Disability Rights**  
 Marcie Roth, *Moderator*  
 Mary Casey Lockyer, American Red Cross  
 Margaret Schaefer, DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties  
 Merrill Friedman and Patrick Cokley, Anthem Health  
 Zachary Usher, FEMA Individual Assistance

3:30-3:45 Break

3:45- 4:45 **Equipment and Devices Lost, Left Behind, Damaged and Destroyed- Now What?**  
 Carolyn Phillips, Interim Director, AMAC Accessibility Solutions & Research Center, Georgia Institute of Technology, *Moderator*

Liz Persaud, Pass It on Center  
 Jessica Michot and Angela Lorio, Trach Mommas  
 Dustin Snowadzky, Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies  
 4:45 - 5:45 **The Inconvenient Truth About Registries, Power, Alerts and Evacuation**  
 June Kailes, Associate Director, Harris Family Center for Disability and Health  
 Policy, Western University of Health Sciences, *Moderator*  
 Sarah Tuneberg, CEO, Geospiza, Inc.  
 Maria Town, Director, Houston Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities  
 5:45- 6:15 **Linda Mastandrea**, Director, FEMA Office of Disability Integration and Coordination  
 6:15 – 7:00 Exhibitor reception

**Friday, May 25**

8:00 - 8:30 Breakfast with exhibitors  
 8:30 - 9:30 **Mayors Forum**  
 Mayor Maria “Mayita” Melendez, Ponce, PR  
 Maria Town, Director, Houston Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities  
 9:30 -10:30 **Disaster Recovery and Community Resilience- Housing, Universal Design, Inclusion and Civil Rights**  
 Brian Parsons, Senior Policy Advisor, DHS Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties,  
*Moderator*  
 Rebecca Cokley, Center for American Progress  
 National Low-Income Housing Disaster Recovery Coalition  
 FEMA Individual Assistance  
 10:30 -10:45 Break  
 10:45 - 11:15 **Preparing the Territories- What Have We Learned, What Happens Now?**  
 Adriane Griffen, Senior Director of Public Health and Leadership  
 Association of University Centers on Disabilities  
 11:15-12:00 Getting the Disaster and Disability Story Right, No More “Inspiration Porn”  
 Sarah Blahovec, National Council on Independent Living, *Moderator*  
 12:00 - 12:30 **Closing Session: Getting It Right, Right Now, A Call to Action**  
 Marcie Roth  
 Paul Timmons