



**CONSORTIUM FOR CITIZENS
WITH DISABILITIES**

**HUMAN RIGHTS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES MAY PREVENT SECONDARY
DISABLING CONDITIONS.**

The United States International Council on Disabilities held their annual meeting in which there were reports on special projects of the organization.

Summary

There is vast network of organizations and stakeholders who advocate for improving the lives, circumstances, full inclusion and human rights of people with disabilities world wide. The United States ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities ((CRPD) launched an education and outreach campaign to raise grassroots awareness of the convention. Civil rights coalitions are active to promote, protect and ensure the rights of persons with disabilities. These civil rights include respect for inherent dignity, individual autonomy, freedom to make one's own choice, non discrimination, respect for difference and acceptance of persons with disabilities as part of human diversity and humanity. Ratification of CRPD may assist accessibility and effective participation and inclusion of people with disabilities in societies. In addition, there should be equity among men and women and respect for evolving capacities of children with disabilities as well as the right of children with disabilities to preserve their identities.

Disability Prevention Issue

The U.S. law is consistent with the with the requirements of the CRPD which empowers individuals with disabilities with access to health services that prevent secondary disabling conditions. Preservation of health of people with disabilities may enable them to achieve economic self sufficiency, independent living, inclusion and integration into all aspect of society.

Principle

The U.S. should ratify the Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.