

# **Accessible Online Event Planning**

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# Overview

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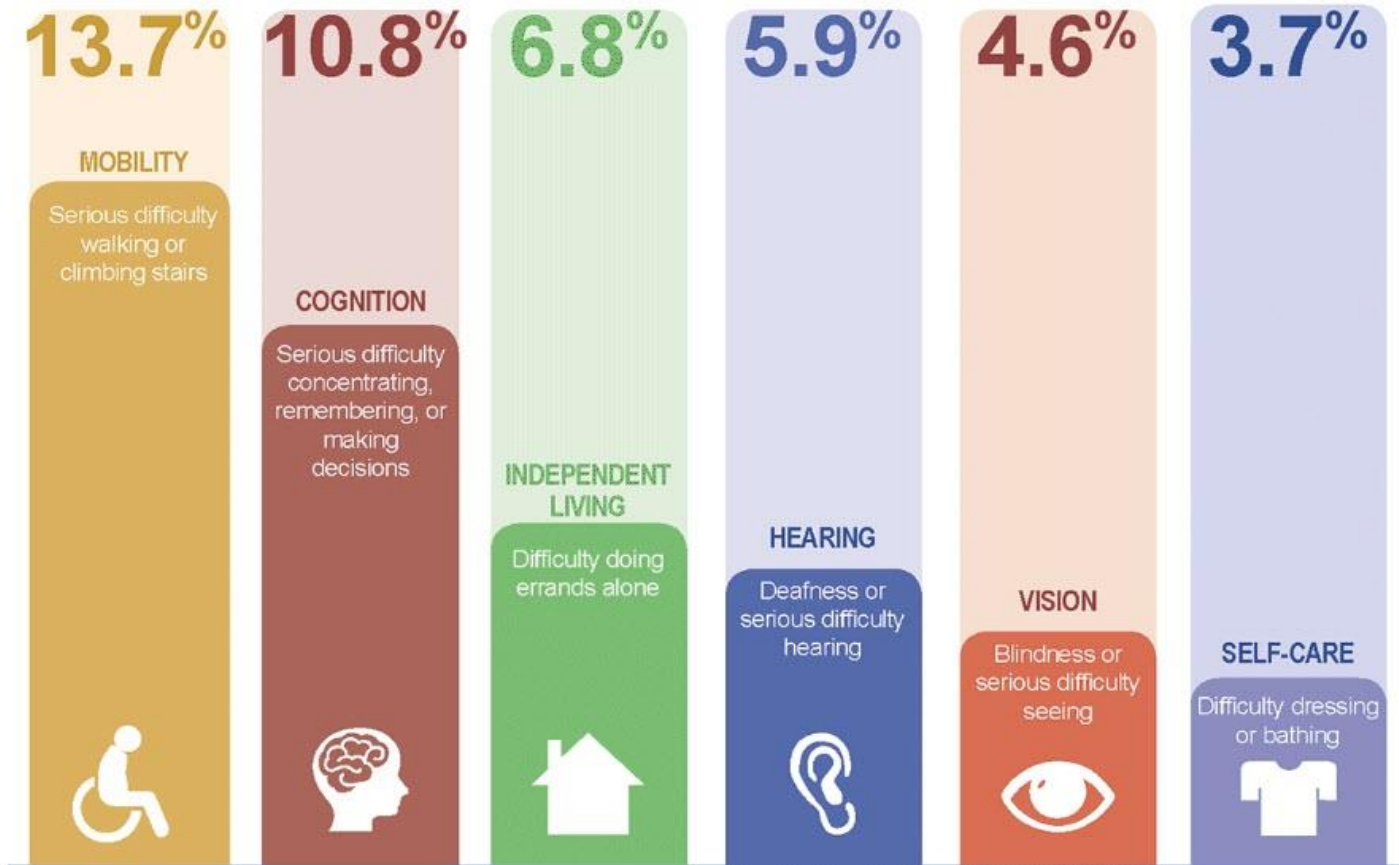
# Background Information





**1 in 4 American adults**  
live with a disability

## Percentage of adults with functional disability types



# Disability Statistics

Online Resource for U.S. Disability Statistics

FIND  
**Disability Statistics**

Select a topic below to access the disability statistics interactive search tool.

## American Community Survey (ACS)

2008-2018 [?](#)

- [Prevalence](#)
- [Employment Rate](#)
- [Not Working but Actively Looking for Work](#)
- [Full-Time / Full-Year Employment](#)
- [Annual Earnings](#)
- [Annual Household Income](#)

DOWNLOAD  
**Disability  
Status Reports**

National and state-level reports  
presenting prevalence and relative  
economic status of people with  
disabilities

**2017 Disability Status Report**  
Webinar available

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Status Reports: [PDF](#)

ACCESS  
**Research  
Tools**

Detailed information on dozens of  
national level disability data sources

### [Rehabilitation Dataset Directory](#)

The Rehabilitation Dataset Directory is an easy  
to use searchable database to help  
rehabilitation researchers identify datasets  
relevant to their areas of interests.

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# Promoting Your Event



## Social Media Best Practices

- Include contact information on your account
- Add alt text to every picture and GIF
- Keep language simple
  - #LibrariesAreAwesome

## Alt Text Suggestions

- Be specific and descriptive
- Aim for fewer than 125 character
- Not necessary to say “photo of...” or “image of...”

# Twitter



Come to our exciting event on Wednesday, October 14th at 6:00 p.m. in room 152!

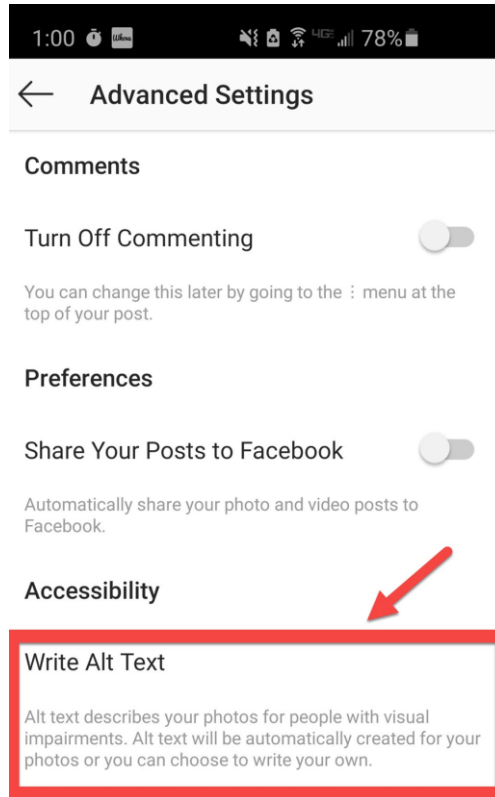


Tag people

Add description



# Instagram

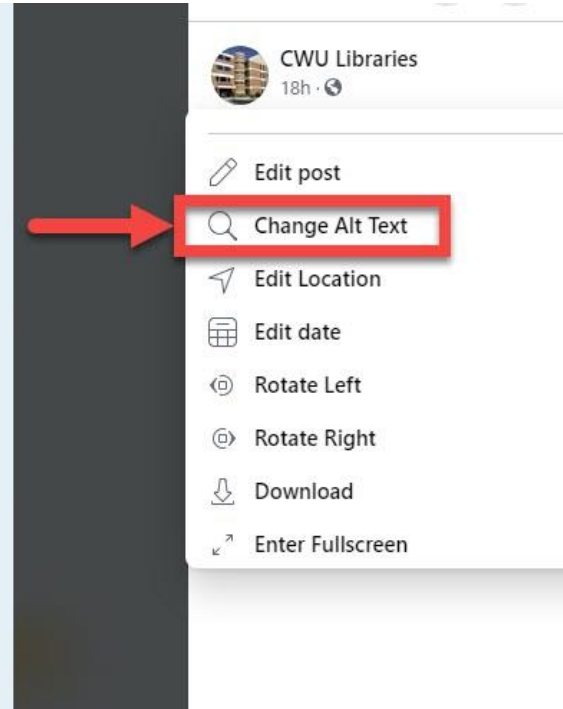
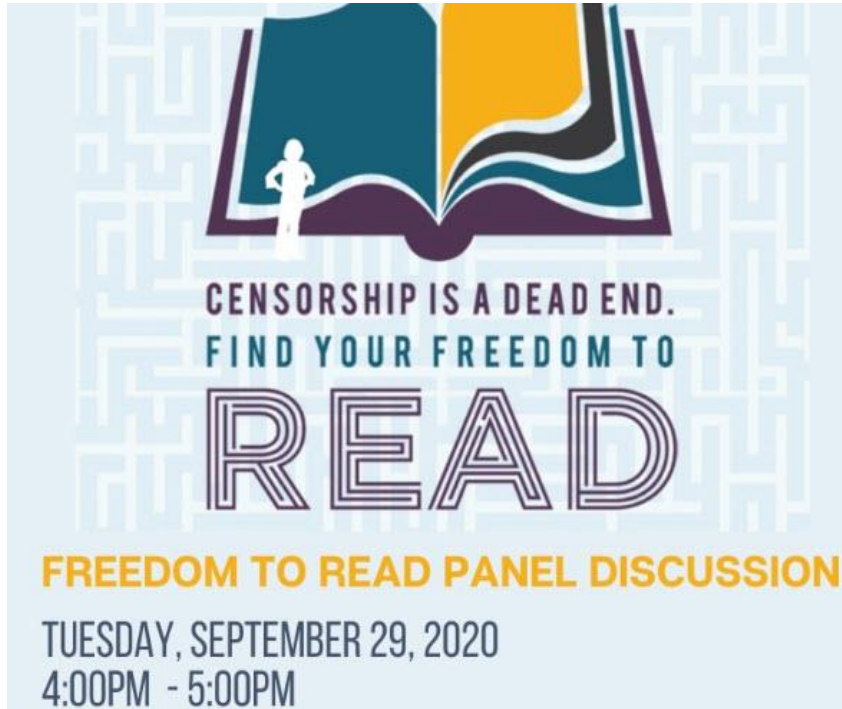


# Instagram



- Video editor app
- Low cost - \$4.99
- Edit captions

# Facebook



# Representation Matters!

- [Disabled and Here](#)
- [Disability:IN](#)
- [Pexels](#)
- [Unsplash](#)



Credit: Disabled and Here



## **Ableist Language to Avoid**

- Turn a blind eye
- Fell on deaf ears
- Wheelchair bound
- Special needs

## **Terminology**

- Diabetic adult vs. adult with diabetes
- National Center on Disability and Journalism

## Abnormal/abnormality

**Background:** “Abnormality” is a word used to describe a condition that deviates from what is considered normal. It can be appropriate when used in a medical context, such as “abnormal curvature of the spine” or an “abnormal test result.” However, when used to describe an individual, “abnormal” is widely viewed as derogatory. The phrase “abnormal behavior” reflects social-cultural standards and is open to different interpretations.

**NCDJ Recommendation:** The words “abnormal” or “abnormality” are acceptable when describing scientific phenomena, such as abnormalities in brain function. However, avoid using such words to describe a person. Referring to someone who does not have a disability as a “normal person” implies that people with disabilities are deviant or strange. “Typical” can be a better choice. Be cautious when using the term “abnormal behavior.” Explain what it means in the context in which it is being used.

**AP style:** Not addressed

## Registering for the Event

- Provide details (e.g. start & end time, format, etc.)
- Add a field asking patrons if they require an accommodation

# Registering for the Event

*Please answer the following questions:*

**Which state does your library operate in?**

**What best describes the setting of the library?**

- Urban (located in major city)
- City
- Suburban
- Rural

**What is the size of population your library serves (*full-time equivalent*)?**

*(numeric values only)*

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## **Before the Event**

- Check presentation materials are accessible
- Send presentation materials out to attendees in advance

## Multiple entry points

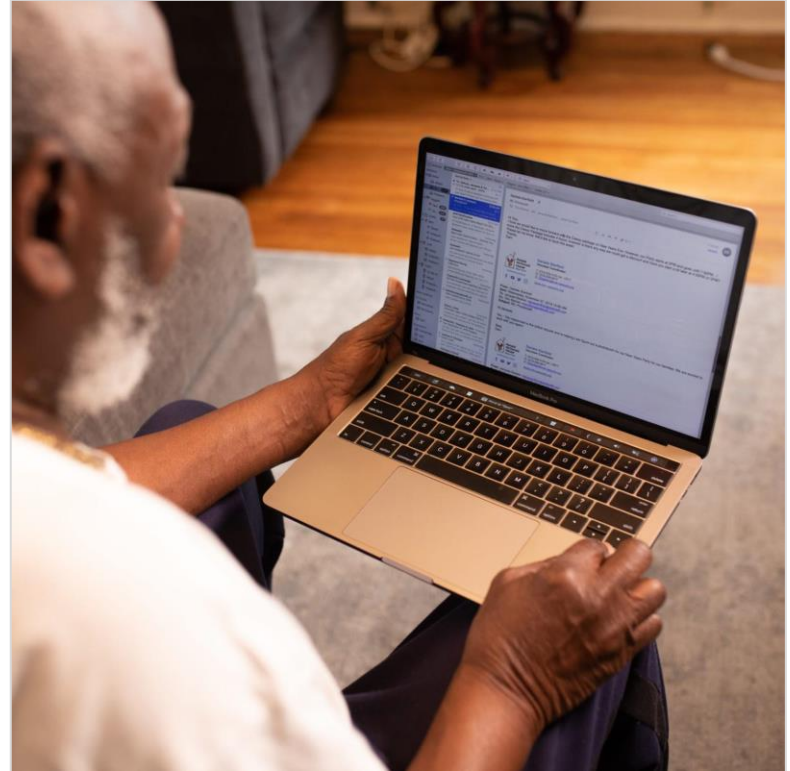
- Zoom audio
- Phone
- Video recording

## Provide a human contact

- Questions? Call Joe (555-555-5555)

## Low stakes test-drives

- Give it a try *before* the event!



## Keep in Mind

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How you felt when

- a computer wasn't working as expected. Be patient.
- a mechanic or doctor explained something using jargon. Speak plainly.

Build on prior knowledge, and make connections.

Multiple uses for terms- Chat

- Is it online text-based instant messaging?
- Is it a conversation on the phone?





## General Tips

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- Use fonts that are large and simple (Arial, Times New Roman, etc.)
- Use good color contrast practices
- Mute participants upon entry

## **Specific Zoom Settings**

- Customize font size of chat and closed captioning
- Keyboard shortcuts for navigation
- Compatible with screen readers
- Select to auto-transcribe recorded meetings

## Audio Type

Determine how participants can join the audio portion of the meeting. When joining audio, you can let them choose to use their computer microphone/speaker or use a telephone. You can also limit them to just one of those audio types. If you have 3rd party audio enabled, you can require that all participants follow the instructions you provide for using non-Zoom audio.

- Telephone and Computer Audio
- Telephone
- Computer Audio

### **Closed captioning**

Allow host to type closed captions or assign a participant/third party device to add closed captions



### **Save Captions**

Allow participants to save fully closed captions or transcripts



### **Language Interpretation**

Allow host to assign participants as interpreters who can interpret one language into another in real-time. Host can assign interpreters when scheduling or during the meeting.





# Keep interpreters with the participants who request them



Ensure the interpreter is added to the same breakout room as the person using the interpreter

- Assign groups ahead of the event
- Manually create the breakout rooms during the event

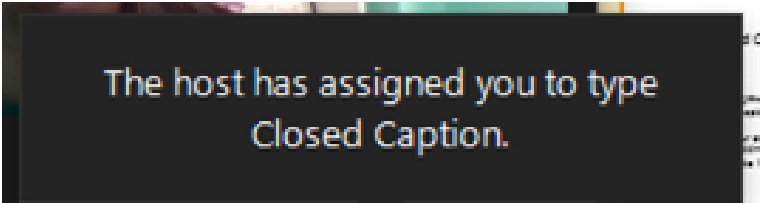
# Zoom Closed Captioning

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You or someone you assign can type the closed captions directly via Zoom

You can integrate a third party service using an API

NOTE: Most real-time captioning integrations have a fee for service



The host has assigned you to type  
Closed Caption.

## Cloud recording



Allow hosts to record and save the meeting in the cloud

- Record the active speaker view
- Record the gallery view
- Record an audio only file
- Save chat text from the meeting

### Advanced cloud recording settings

- Add a timestamp to the recording ?
- Record thumbnails when sharing ?
- Optimize the recording for 3rd party video editor ?
- Audio transcript ?

Save

Cancel

Record on this Computer  
Record to the Cloud



Invite



Manage Participants



Share Screen



Chat



Record

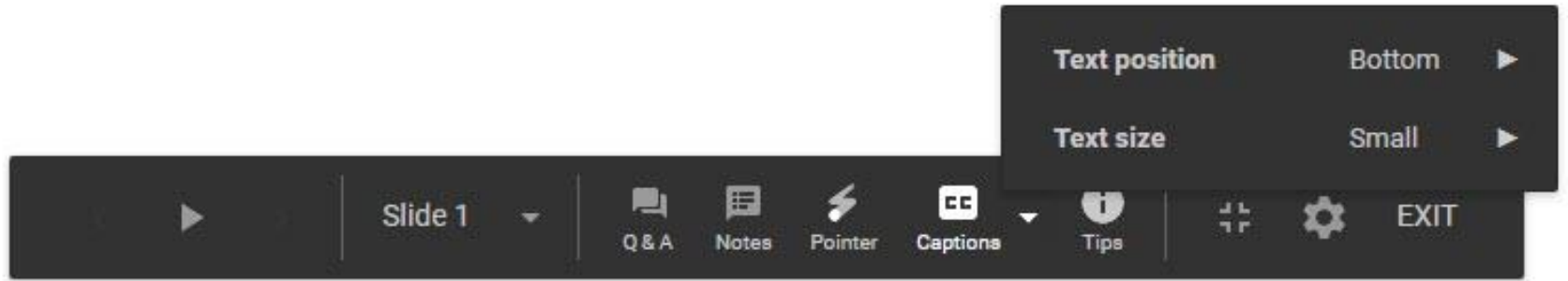


# Event Execution



# Captioning Using Google Slides for Live Events

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## Captioning and Transcript Tools

- **oTranscribe** - Open source, free transcription web app that allows users to transcribe and play audio or video files within one place.
- **Amara** - Allows users to caption and subtitle any video for free. Users have the option to pay for captioning or translation services.
- **YouDescribe** - Free web-based platform for adding audio descriptions to YouTube videos.



## General Tips

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- Describe visual content
  - Will help anyone with a visual disability or who has connected by phone
- Repeat questions that are asked through chat before answering

Post-Event



## **Follow Up**

- Send materials (e.g. slides, recording) to participants
- Manually caption video recordings if necessary before uploading or sharing



## **Successful Events @ CWU Libraries**

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- Cultural Conversations
- Haiku and limerick contests
- Archives and museums crawl

# Suggested Resources

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- [Cornell University's Disability Statistics](#)
- [Ableist Language to Avoid](#)
- [Disability Language Style Guide](#)
- [Ensuring Virtual Events Are Accessible for All](#)
- [Accessibility from Zoom](#)
- [Zoom | Usability & Web Accessibility from Yale University](#)
- [ACRL Presents: Quickly Implementing Accessibility Tools](#)



# Thank you!

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