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A Conversation With People With Disabilities About Sexual Violence and Call to Action for State Agencies

Monday, July 8, 2024
1:00

This webinar, hosted by [The Link Center](#) in partnership with other federal agencies, will highlight the prevalence of sexual assault in the disability community and the unique dynamics and barriers survivors with disabilities experience when seeking support. It will feature sexual assault survivors with disabilities, as well as state officials and other individuals who have been leading efforts to improve access to care and support services. The panelists will share their experiences and recommendations for concrete actions that leaders can take to improve services in their states. The target audience is state mental health, developmental disability, and head injury administrators.

People with disabilities, especially those with cognitive disabilities, including Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) and brain injury, experience sexual assault at much higher rates than nondisabled people. They also encounter challenges receiving care and support services due to pervasive accessibility barriers.

The goal of this webinar is to raise awareness of these issues among key leaders from state agencies that support people with disabilities.

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