

#### **Telebriefing:**

# THE CASE FOR A HUMAN RIGHTS LENS ON DISABILITY September 27, 2012

## Organized by the IHRFG Disability Rights Working Group

## Speakers:

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#### Description:

When thinking about disability, it is not uncommon for funders to conceptualize it as a health, medical, or welfare issue. But over the last 30 years, people with disabilities have pioneered a shift in thinking, moving disability from the limitations of a charity lens to one of rights. This telebriefing, through concrete examples and case studies, will illustrate how using a human rights lens can strategically and dramatically advance the disability field.

In this telebriefing, funders explored...

- The positive impact of reframing disability rights as human rights
- Case studies demonstrating how the ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) gives people with disabilities increased political voice
- Grantmaking strategies to bring persons with disabilities into mainstream human rights discourse and programming

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