

# Preparing Individuals with IDD for Engagement in Research during Public Health Emergencies and Disasters

**It's always important to include people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) on research teams. It's even more important to include people with IDD on research teams during public health emergencies.** That's because people with IDD can be most at risk during the emergency. Below are three resources to help include people with IDD as part of a research team during public health emergencies.

## Toolkit for Remote Inclusive Research

This toolkit features 23 evidence-based strategies that can support inclusive research across the different stages of the research process. Each strategy includes adaptations for remote collaboration, access accommodations, and resources such as video instructions and customizable forms for your team.

## Peer Support Toolkit to Engage People with IDD in Research

This toolkit outlines peer support as a strategy for research engagement for people with IDD. It defines 5 unique roles for researchers with IDD on inclusive research teams and 14 strategies that they can use to provide peer support in the research context. It also includes information about recruiting and hiring peer supporters as well as supports and accommodations.

## Research Partnerships during Public Health Emergencies

FYREworks (*Family, Youth, and Researcher Education*) is an interactive, Web-based training designed to prepare youth, parents, and collaborating researchers to establish and maintain research partnerships. This custom unit is designed to prepare youth and adults with IDD and their caregivers to engage in research partnerships during public health emergencies.

The unit includes three modules:

- 1) What is a public health emergency?
- 2) Working remotely during a public health emergency
- 3) Doing remote research during public health emergencies

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