



Disability Justice Task Force

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Subject: Invitation to Participate in the Washington State Supreme Court Disability Justice Focus Group

To Whom It May Concern,

We are contacting you because we have identified your organization as a support organization for persons with disabilities in Washington State. We invite your organization to participate in a focus group discussion to share your experience within the court system either as a person with disabilities and/or as a person who supports persons with disabilities.

If there are community members with disabilities who are a part of your network but are not representatives of a specific organization, please send them our contact information (DJTFSurvey@KMGCConsultingFirm.com) so that they can participate in this research project.

If your organization is interested in having your staff and/or clients with disabilities, their caregivers, or family members participate in our focus group, please complete the short questionnaire attached to this letter to confirm your interest in participating and send it to DJTFSurvey@kmgconsultingfirm.com.

Your input matters because this study was designed to obtain feedback from court participants with disabilities on strategies to improve access to justice for people with disabilities; we will center the experiences of people with disabilities during the data collection, analysis, and recommendation processes.

What to expect:

- A facilitated group discussion lasting approximately sixty (60) minutes with other individuals who share similar experiences
- Monetary compensation for participants with disabilities
- A brave space with the proper accommodations for participation
- An open and honest conversation about your thoughts and opinions on the experience of persons with disabilities within the court system
- Complete confidentiality - your participation will remain anonymous; no personally identifiable information will be collected or shared.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to share your perspective!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joslyn Nelson".

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FOCUS PARTICIPATION INTEREST FORM

Name of Organization:

Group that you serve (i.e., youth with disabilities, people of color with disabilities, formerly incarcerated people with disabilities, people with developmental disabilities, seniors with disabilities, veterans with disabilities, type of disability, etc.):

Number of staff members you anticipate could participate in the focus group: _____

Number of clients within your network who might be interested in participating in the focus group: ____

Location: _____

Preferred Days and Times for a focus group for staff

- Weekday Morning (8:00 am -11:00 am)
- Weekday Afternoon (12:00 pm - 4:00 pm)
- Weekday Evening (5:00 pm -7:00 pm)

- Weekend Morning (8:00 am -11:00 am)
- Weekend Afternoon (12:00 pm - 4:00 pm)
- Weekend Evening (5:00 pm -7:00 pm)

The preferred format for focus groups

- In-person (with virtual participation allowed)
- Virtual only

Contact information for the person to coordinate invitations for staff and clients

Name:

Pronouns:

Position:

Email:

Phone Number:

NOTE:

Please share the link below with people interested in participating in the focus group, so we know which group to assign them to.

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