

Accessible Video Conferencing Checklist

1. Proactively seek accommodate needs

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| Ask all participants to communicate any accommodation needs ahead of time. |
| $\hfill\square$ Include an accommodation statement in any invites, registration forms or emails. |
| $\hfill\square$ Consult directly with any participant who makes an accommodation request. |
| $\hfill\Box$ Follow the principles of accommodation (dignity, individualization, inclusion). |
| 2. Share relevant materials in advance |
| $\hfill\square$ Distribute accessible information and materials to all participants in advance. |
| 3. Learn the accessibility features |
| $\hfill\square$ Become familiar with the accessibility features available in the video conference. |
| $\hfill\square$ Retain captioning services and sign language interpreters as a best practice. |
| $\hfill \square$ Offer a call-in number as an alternative option to access the meeting or session. |
| 4. Be an inclusive host |
| $\hfill\Box$ Explain web conferencing features and expectations for use (e.g., camera and mic). |
| \square Consider opening with a reflective or visual self-introduction (refer to <u>example</u>). |
| $\hfill\square$ Have a clear purpose for displaying information if/when you share your screen. |
| \square Verbally describe all visual information (for those who cannot view your screen). |
| 5. Request feedback from participants |
| \square Provide the opportunity for participants to share feedback (e.g. via <u>Google Form</u>). |
| □ Remember that accessibility is a process and feedback fosters improvement. |
| Refer to the full Accessible Video Conferencing Guidelines for more information. Questions or alternative format requests can be directed to the Board's <u>Accessibility</u> <u>Officer</u> . |