

Good Afternoon – Please Participate and Circulate to Community Members,



To assist in ensuring that a strong and clear in In 2016 the Government of Canada committed to develop new accessibility legislation to promote equality of opportunity and the increased inclusion and participation for all Canadians living with disabilities or functional limitations. As part of the development of this new legislation, the government has actively engaged individuals and groups, through public consultation and on-line surveys, across Canada.

My name is Sara Gill and I am the Federal Accessibility Coordinator contracted by the Government for BCANDS. Our Society has a contract with the Government of Canada (Ministry of Employment and Social Development) to engage Indigenous, Inuit, Metis, First Nations and First Nation service providers across Canada in relation to the new federal accessibility legislation and also to identify factors that impact Indigenous individuals and families living with disabilities within First Nation communities. This contract is to engage communities and organizations across Canada digenous voice which recognizes the unique disability related needs and priorities of our peoples is presented to the Government of Canada for the development of this new accessibility legislation, the British Columbia Aboriginal Network on Disability or BCANDS is engaging Indigenous communities, leadership, individuals and service providers NATIONWIDE for their input, expertise and direction.

Please find below a link to a brief survey – we value your input as we move towards this new legislation! Please have your say, and forward link to anyone in the department and community that you feel could contribute. If you have any questions or comments – do not hesitate to contact me. We really appreciate your contribution.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BCANDS2>

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