



The Accessible Healthcare Workshop: Real-World Lessons from Health Systems Nationwide

Presented by Rusk Rehabilitation, the Disability Equity Collaborative, and the Institute for Excellence in Health Equity, NYU Langone Health

Live Webinar | October 1–2, 2026

Agenda

Thursday, October 1, 2026

12:00 pm	Welcome & Introduction Megan Morris, PhD, MPH, CCC-SLP <i>NYU Langone Health</i>	2:30 pm	Lunch
12:10 pm	Keynote: The National Landscape for Disability Access in Healthcare Alison Barkoff, JD <i>George Washington University; Former ACL Administrator & Assistant Secretary for Aging</i>	3:00 pm	Strategies and Tools for Working with Leadership Zary Amirhosseini, MEd <i>Massachusetts General Hospital</i> Jihan Kamal, MBA, MHA, RPI, CLSSYB, ADACC-Advanced <i>Memorial Hermann</i>
12:35 pm	Accessibility in Healthcare: Legal Obligations, Quality, and Safety Indira Shenoy, MBA, CPPS, CPCHE <i>Dana-Farber Cancer Institute</i> Silvia Yee, JD <i>Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund (DREDF)</i>		Establishing an Accessibility Program: Overview and Activities Ashli Molinero, DSc <i>University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC)</i> Sherri Rita, JD, CPACC, ADACC <i>Kaiser Permanente</i>
1:30 pm	Establishing an Accessibility Program: Overview and Activities Ashli Molinero, DSc <i>University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC)</i> Sherri Rita, JD, CPACC, ADACC <i>Kaiser Permanente</i> Strategies and Tools for Working with Leadership Zary Amirhosseini, MEd <i>Massachusetts General Hospital</i> Jihan Kamal, MBA, MHA, RPI, CLSSYB, ADACC-Advanced <i>Memorial Hermann</i>	4:00 pm	Panel: Engaging with the Disability Community Matt Berwick, ADAC <i>University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC)</i> Toni Iacolucci <i>Healthcare with Hearing Loss; Hearing Loss Association of America</i> Annie Streit <i>United Spinal Association</i> Anne Williams, DNP, MS, RN, FAAN <i>Special Olympics International</i>
		5:00 pm	Closing Remarks Megan Morris, PhD, MPH, CCC-SLP <i>NYU Langone Health</i>
		5:05 pm	Adjourn

Friday, October 2, 2026

12:00 pm

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NYU Langone Health

12:10 pm

**Documenting Disability Status
and Accommodation Needs in the
Electronic Health Record**

Carol Haywood, PhD
*Northwestern University Feinberg School of
Medicine*
Megan Morris, PhD, MPH, CCC-SLP
NYU Langone Health

1:30 pm

**Accessible Medical Diagnostic
Equipment: Audit, Procurement, and
Implementation**

Holly Darnell, MS, OTR/L, ADAC
UCHealth
Regina McCollough, MBA, MPH
Johns Hopkins Medicine

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**From Compliance to Care: Auxiliary
Aids as a Strategy for Patient Safety &
Health Equity**

Rosemary Ford, MBA, OTC, NHICS-A/
Licensed
Covenant Health
Kimberlee Pelkey, MSW, CoreCHI,
NHICS-A/Licensed
Beth Israel Lahey Health

4:45 pm

Question & Answer

All speakers available

5:30 pm

Closing Remarks

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