Each of us may experience a disability in our lifetime.

Disability Impacts ALL of US

CDC’s National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities supports efforts to include adults with disabilities in disease prevention, health promotion, and emergency response activities, while working to remove barriers to health care and improve access to routine preventive services.

A Snapshot of Disability in District of Columbia

This fact sheet provides an overview of disability in the District of Columbia (DC) compared to national estimates. You can use this information to learn more about the percentages and characteristics of adults with disabilities in District of Columbia.

Disability Costs in HEALTHCARE EXPENDITURES

Adults with Disabilities are more likely to

Despite progress, adults with disabilities in the District of Columbia and across the country continue to experience significant differences in health characteristics and behaviors compared to adults without disabilities.

Percentage of adults with select functional disability types:**

**Disability-associated healthcare expenditures are presented in 2006 dollars as reported in Anderson et al, 2010. This value represents approximately 27% of total healthcare expenditures for the District of Columbia.

** In 2013 and 2014, the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) did not ask participants about deafness or serious difficulty hearing; however, BRFSS began collecting this information in 2016.