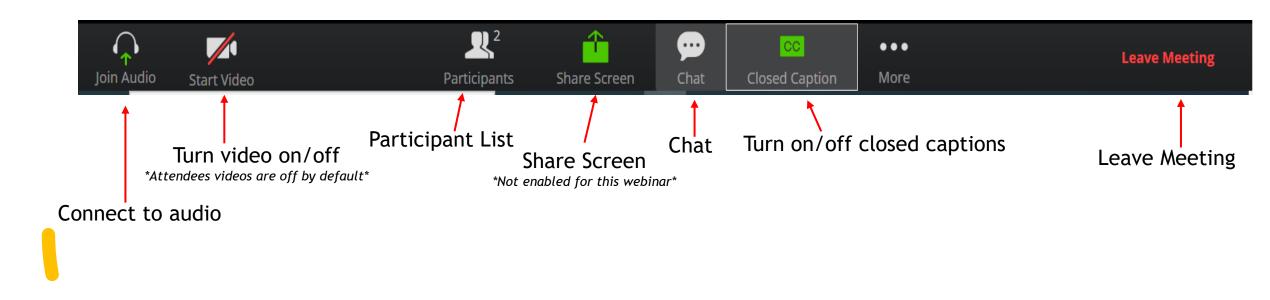
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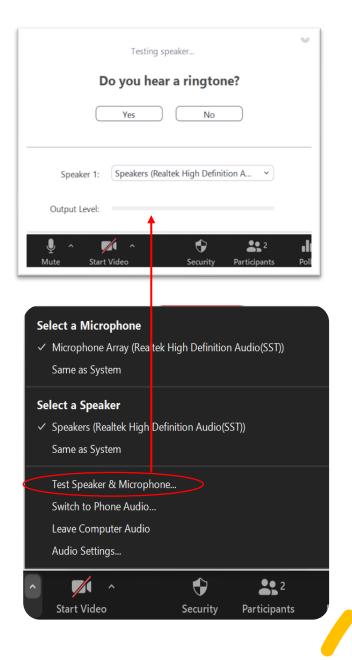


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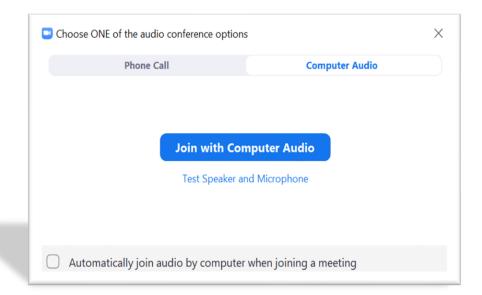
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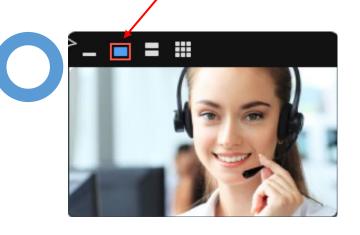
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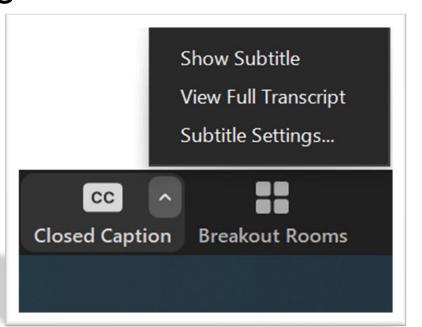
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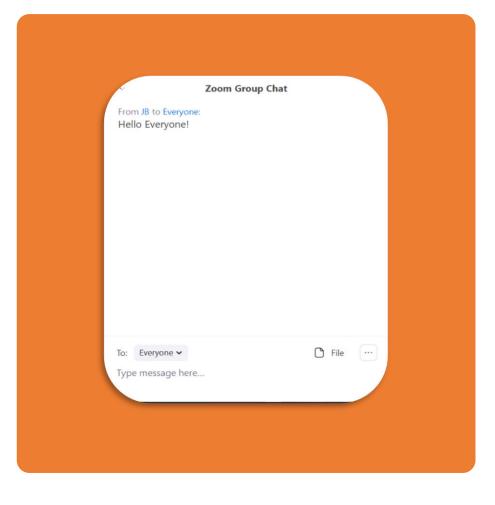


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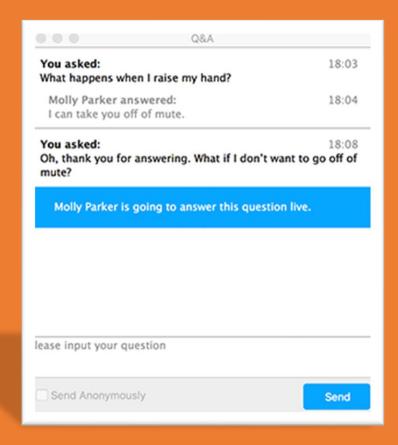
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### Message

We stand with you.

• We will fight with you.

We will work tirelessly with you.



# Know Your Rights as a Person with a Disability in the Criminal Justice System

Know Your Rights Series
Webinar 2 of 3
June 4, 2020



### Know Your Rights Webinar Series

- Webinar 1: Criminal Justice System 101
  - Recording will be available soon on thearc.org
- Webinar 2: Know Your Rights as a Person with a Disability (today)
- Webinar 3: Criminal Justice and Self-Advocacy
  - June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2pm EDT



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### Welcome to the Webinar!

- All attendees are muted
- You can turn on closed captions
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  - Short breaks while we change interpreters
- If you have technical problems during the webinar, please visit <a href="mailto:support.zoom.us">support.zoom.us</a> or type in the chat box
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### People with Disabilities Foundation

- Thanks to the People with Disabilities Foundation for making this webinar possible!
- The Foundation provides people with all types of disabilities with the education and advocacy to have access to equal opportunities in all aspects of life







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Who we are & what we do.

**Mission Statement** 

To create greater access and opportunities for independence through empowering individuals with disabilities and promoting community inclusion.



Center for Independent Living (CIL)

- Community-based
- Consumer driven
- Cross-disability
- Nonprofit 501 (c)(3)

**1978**: Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act provides for consumer-controlled centers for independent living.

### Learning Objectives

### After this webinar, you will be able to:

- Recognize barriers in the criminal justice system
- Explain two key rights under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Identify available resources that might be able to help you



### Question

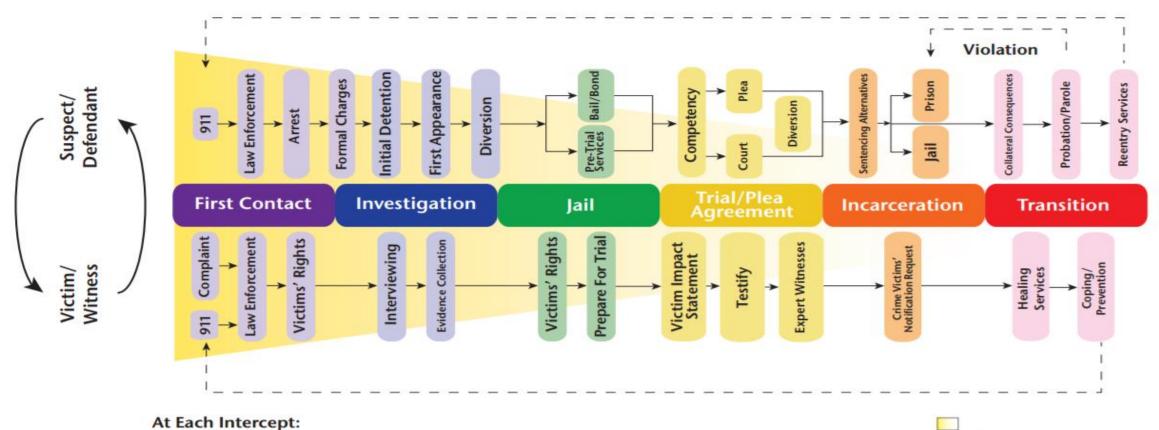
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#### Pathways to Justice® Model

for Identification and Accommodation



#### Identification

- Communication
- Accommodations
- Support

#### Community

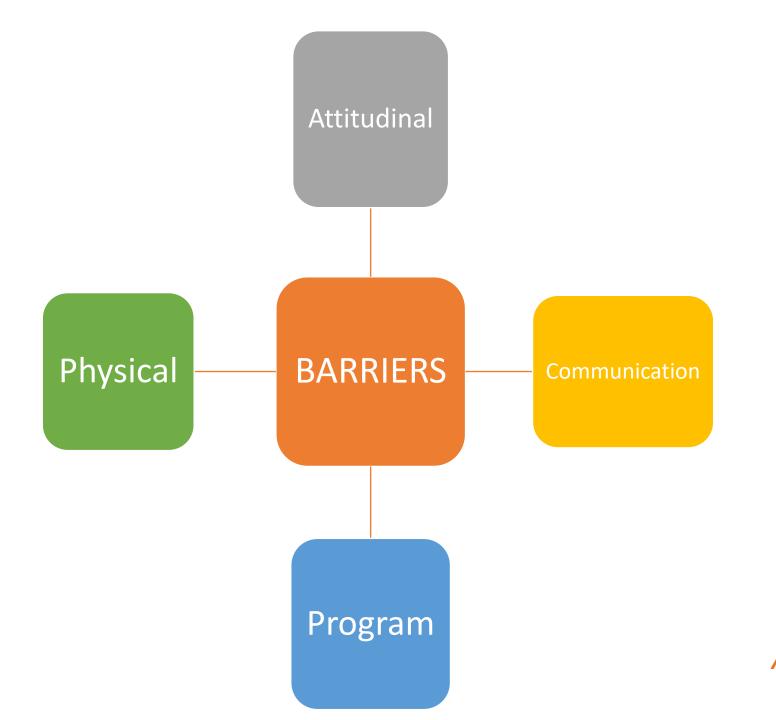
### Question

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# Barriers and the Criminal Justice System





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## Physical Barriers

- Physical features that limit access
  - Narrow spaces
  - Steps (no wheelchair ramps)
  - Doors that are hard to grasp and open



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### **Communication Barriers**

- Information is not available in multiple ways
  - Language is not clear
  - Font is too small to read
  - Can't use a communication device



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## Attitudinal Barriers

- Behaviors and assumptions about disability
  - People with disabilities always need help
  - "Inspiration Porn"



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## Program Barriers

- Lack of accommodations or support
  - Not allowed to participate in an activity
  - Option to participate in a different or separate program



### **Polling Question**

A police station does not have a wheelchair ramp. What type of barrier is this?



### **Polling Question**

A prosecutor doesn't believe you should testify, because you have a disability. What type of barrier is this?



# American with Disabilities Act (ADA)

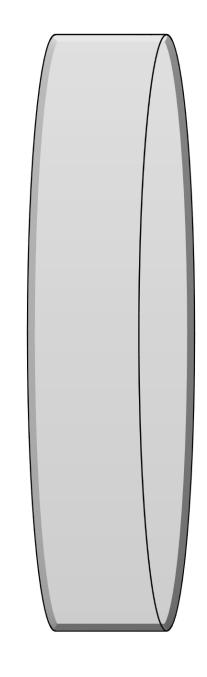


### Question

What is discrimination?



# Rights of people with disabilities



# Discrimination by justice professionals

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### **Americans with Disabilities Act**

Title	Subject	Who's affected?
Title I	Employment	Private employers with 15+ employees; all public employers
Title II	Public Programs and Activities	State and local governments
Title III	Public Accommodations	Hotels, restaurants, merchants, doctor's offices, private schools, day care centers, health clubs, sports stadiums, movie theaters, etc.
Title IV	Telecommunications (closed captioning)	Telephone and internet companies
Title V	Miscellaneous Provisions	Various entities



### **Americans with Disabilities Act**

Title II



Law Enforcement

Jails & Prisons

Courts

### **Overt (Direct) Discrimination**

A police officer says to Susan:

"I'm arresting you, because I think autistic people

are dangerous."





### Disparate (Indirect) Impact

 Juan can't participate in a jail program because of the medication he uses.





### Failure to Modify

 Izzie's GED teacher won't change the material to account for her disability.





### **Polling Question**

Being told you're dangerous because of your disability is what type of discrimination?



# JOY'S Story

#### Two Basic Rights

1. Right to Effective Communication

2. Right to Access Programs and Services



#### Right to Effective Communication

A person with a disability has the right to communicate as effectively as someone without a disability.





#### Right to Access Programs and Services

A person with a disability has the right to access programs and services on the same basis as someone without a disability





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## How do I get help?



#### Resources

- Private defense attorney or public defender
- Prosecutor or victim services professional
- State and local chapters of The Arc
  - https://www.thearc.org/find-a-chapter
- Protection and advocacy organizations
  - http://www.ndrn.org/en/ndrn-member-agencies.html



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#### Resources

- Civil rights and legal services organizations
- State and local bar associations
- The Arc's National Center on Criminal Justice & Disability
  - http://www.thearc.org/NCCJD/about/request-assistance
- Department of Justice, Disability Rights Section
  - https://www.justice.gov/crt/how-file-complaint



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#### Participant Q&A

- Type your questions in the Q&A
  - You can find the Q&A at the bottom of your Zoom screen
- If we don't get to your question, email it to NCCJDinfo@thearc.org



#### Join Us Next Time

Webinar 3: Criminal Justice & Self-Advocacy

When: June 17th, 2020, 2:00pm EDT



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