



## No Research About Us Without Us.

We are friends, allies, and members of the disability community. We want the places we live, work, play, learn and worship to be equitable. And we want a nation where health equity is available for all.

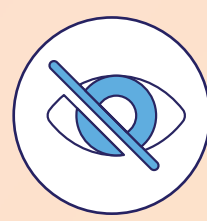
We are proud to support the *All of Us* Research Program. It aims to improve health research and promote health equity by building a path to better health for all. The program will include a diverse group of one million or more people across the United States in health research. It is an important effort to advance personalized care. With health information from its participants, *All of Us* is building the largest health database of its kind. This information is used by researchers to study why people get sick or stay healthy.

We know that many people with disabilities have been left out of or hurt by health research in the past. This is why health care providers know less about our health. *All of Us* wants to change that by following best practices.

## All of Us Community Engagement.

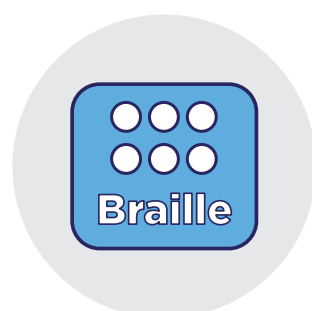
We support the community engagement steps taken by *All of Us* and its continuing efforts to:

- ✓ Involve people with disabilities no matter who they are or where they are from.
- ✓ Let people decide to be involved as much or as little as they want.
- ✓ Make sure that all health information is protected through strong data security.
- ✓ Engage with the disability community.
- ✓ Build trust with participants by being honest about how their data is used.



## Accessibility Best Practices.

*All of Us* has worked hard to include many people in the program. They want to do more to support the participation of all people with disabilities in the program. To meet this goal, we encourage *All of Us* and partners to follow these best practices:



Use print and digital outreach that can be understood by all, with:

- Captions and transcripts present on all videos.
- Alt-text present on all images.
- Color contrast and minimum font sizes used.
- Plain language principles followed.
- American Sign Language (ASL) used when possible.

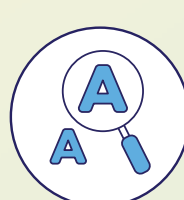
Make sure all events and trainings are accessible:

- Train *All of Us* staff and partners in accessibility.
- Talk to accessibility experts while planning.
- Ask people what they need to participate in the event.
- Make sure people can access event space and content.
- Provide materials in forms people can use and easily access.
- Offer ASL and live captioning (CART).

## Research for Disability Health Equity.

Together, the American Association on Health and Disability and the *All of Us* Research Program will strive to create opportunities that benefit the disability community, and:

- ✓ Support research on the health of people with disabilities. (I.e., Release a disability survey that looks at all parts of disability.)
- ✓ Examine the factors that affect health and sickness, including access to health insurance.
- ✓ Encourage research by and for people with disabilities.
- ✓ Make sure all people with disabilities can sign up for *All of Us*.



Many people in the United States are part of the disability community. We are a group that needs to be part of the *All of Us* Research Program to help further health equity and make sure it improves health research for all.



For more information, please visit: [JoinAllOfUs.org/InclusionForAll](https://www.joinallofus.org/inclusionforall)