DCA Meeting Checklist

This checklist is comprised of questions designed to review the meeting preparation/arrangement organized by program offices in order to evaluate accessibility to individuals with disabilities.

What kind of meetings are initiated, convened and/or sponsored (with the exception of grants) by your program? Please choose all that apply

- □ In-house business meetings with staff and/or with members of the general public
- □ Panel (in-house) Access issues are discussed with policy and/or service groups
- □ Panel (outside the program location)
- □ Council/board (in-house)
- □ Council/board (outside the program location)
- □ Symposia/Seminars
- □ Workshops/Classes
- □ Conferences
- □ None
- □ Other (please specify)

Does your program ask meeting participants in advance about any needed physical or programmatic accommodations?

- □ Yes
- 🗆 No
- I don't know
- □ Any additional comments:

Does your program offer to meet panelists/visitors with disabilities at the building's entrance and show them the location of the meeting room, rest room or other areas?

- □ Yes
- 🗆 No
- □ I don't know
- □ Any additional comments

Does your program ensure that meetings are held in offices or other meeting spaces that are accessible to people with mobility impairments? (See Appendix A)

- □ Yes
- 🗆 No
- □ I don't know
- □ Any additional comments

When requested, is your program able to provide any of the following communication techniques to make your written and visual materials (e.g. agenda, reports, panel books, power points or meeting proceedings) accessible to people with visual impairments? Please choose all that apply:

- □ Materials in large print
- □ Braille materials
- □ Recorded materials
- □ Qualified readers
- □ Material on discs
- □ Computer bulletin boards
- □ Audio descriptions of visual presentations
- □ Support materials provided to participants for review prior to meeting
- □ None
- □ I don't know
- □ We have never had this request but if requested we are able to provide the following:

When requested, is your program able to provide any of the following communication techniques to make your meetings accessible to individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing? Please choose all that apply:

- □ Qualified sign language interpreters
- □ Assistive listening systems
- □ Captioned audio-visual material
- □ Sign language and/or orally interpreted audiovisual material
- Communication Access Real time Translation or CART (where everything that is said is "captioned" live)
- □ None
- I don't know
- □ Other (please specify) or additional comments:

While learning and mental disabilities are very distinct from one another, many accommodations for these two disability types overlap. When requested is your program able to provide any of the following communication techniques to make your meetings accessible to people with learning or mental disabilities? Please choose all that apply:

- □ Short, direct and clear presentations
- D Pictures that supplement written materials when possible
- □ Recording of meeting for review following the meeting
- □ Support materials (e.g. agenda, outline of presentation) prior to meeting
- □ None
- □ We have never had this request but if requested we are able to provide the following:

When planning meetings outside of the agency or when making hotel accommodations, does your program seek spaces that are accessible to persons with the following disabilities? Please choose all that apply:

- □ Mobility Impairments
- □ Visual Impairments
- □ Hearing Impairments
- □ Speech Impairments
- □ None
- □ I don't know
- □ Other type of impairments or additional comments:

When planning meetings outside of your location, do you offer communication techniques to ensure that the meetings are accessible to participants with the following disabilities? Please choose all that apply:

- □ Mental or Learning Disabilities
- □ Visual Impairments
- □ Hearing Impairments
- □ Speech Impairments
- □ None
- I don't know
- □ Other disability type(s) (please specify) or additional comments:

When planning meetings outside of your location, do you assure that any local organizers make necessary accessibility arrangements and offer communication techniques to ensure that the meeting are accessible to participants with the following disabilities? Please choose all that apply:

- □ Mobility Impairments
- □ Visual impairments
- □ Hearing Impairments
- □ Speech Impairments
- □ Mental or Learning Disabilities
- □ None
- □ I don't know
- □ Other disability type(s) (please specify) or additional comments:

How does your office notify the general public that accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request at public meetings? Please choose all that apply:

- □ Notice provided to websites that are utilized by people with disabilities
- □ Notice published in meeting announcements, brochures, press releases or other publications
- □ Notice provided to organizations and agencies of and for individuals with disabilities
- □ On our website
- □ Posted in our office location(s)
- □ We don't notify the general public about accommodations
- □ I don't know
- □ Other notice format(s) (please specify) or any additional comments: