



# Our rights under threat as we grow old: A timely expert discussion on the intersection of disability and age

Side event during the 13th session of the Conference of States Parties to the CRPD

Tuesday, December 1, 2020 | 1:15 pm – 2:30 pm EST/7:15 pm – 8:30 pm CET



Photograph: Hallway of a nursing home lined with doors to resident rooms and a wheelchair in the foreground.

Join us in discussing the disproportionate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on older persons and persons with disabilities, exacerbated by existing ageism, ableism, and shortcomings in support systems and residential care.

- Speakers:** **Gerard Quinn**, Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities  
**Claudia Mahler**, Independent Expert on the Enjoyment of all Human Rights by Older Persons  
**Kate Swaffer**, Chair, CEO & Co-founder, Dementia Alliance International (DAI)  
**Moderator:** **Bethany Brown**, Human Rights Advisor, International Disability Alliance (IDA)

### Interactive discussion to follow

Speech-to-text (CART) and International Sign Language interpretation will be available

Register: [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAKf-ygpj8qGdYdygg\\_XQp4gC\\_uozNXLFS](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAKf-ygpj8qGdYdygg_XQp4gC_uozNXLFS)



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