#### CDC's National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities

# Disability Impacts ALL of US



#### Each of us may experience a disability in our lifetime.

**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 California\*

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



## Disability Costs in **HEALTHCARE EXPENDITURES**

\$38\_2 billion per year\*\* in California

#### Adults with Disabilities are more likely to\*

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





Adults with

disabilities



have high blood pressure



Adults with disabilities

Adults without disabilities

in the U.S. 27.8% in the U.S. 13.4%

in California
16.7%
Adults with disabilities without disabilities
10.2%

in the U.S. 39.5% in the U.S. 26.3%

in California 35.9% in California 21.4%

### Percentage of adults with select functional disability types\*

MOBILITY: Serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs

**COGNITION:** Serious difficulty concentrating,

remembering, or making decisions

INDEPENDENT LIVING: Difficulty doing errands alone,

such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping

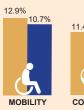
**HEARING:** Deafness or serious difficulty hearing

VISION: Blind or serious difficulty seeing, even when

wearing glasses

**SELF-CARE:** Difficulty dressing or bathing

Types of Disabilities Comparing U.S. with California











United States California



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<sup>\*</sup> Data Source: 2017 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Disability-associated healthcare expenditures are presented in 2006 dollars as reported in Anderson et al, 2010. This value represents approximately 24% of total healthcare expenditures for the state of California.