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**FCC ANNOUNCES THE FIRST MEETING OF THE**

**THIRD TERM OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

In this Public Notice, consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act,[[1]](#footnote-3) the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) announces the first meeting of the third term of its Disability Advisory Committee (DAC or Committee). The meeting will be held **Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.**, Eastern Time, in the Commission Meeting Room at FCC Headquarters, located at 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-C305, Washington, DC 20554.

At this meeting, DAC members will discuss (i) the roles and responsibilities of the Committee and its members; (ii) issues that the Committee will address; (iii) meeting schedules; and (iv) any other topics relevant to the DAC’s work. The meeting will be led by the new DAC co-chairs: Brian Scarpelli, Senior Policy Counsel of ACT | The App Association, and Isidore Niyongabo, Director of Advocacy and Public Engagement of National Black Deaf Advocates.

The DAC may also receive briefings from Commission staff on issues of interest to the Committee and may discuss topics of interest to the Committee, including, but not limited to, matters concerning communications transitions, telecommunications relay services, emergency access, and video programming accessibility. This agenda may be modified at the discretion of the DAC Chairs and Designated Federal Officer (DFO).

The DAC meeting will be open to the public. The FCC will accommodate as many attendees as possible; however, admittance will be limited to seating availability. The FCC will also provide audio and/or video coverage of the meeting at [www.fcc.gov/live](http://www.fcc.gov/live). During the meeting, members of the Public may submit questions and comments to the DAC via email: livequestions@fcc.gov. These comments or questions may be addressed during the public comment period.

Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB) at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed and specify how the FCC should contact the requester if more information is needed to fill the request. Please provide at least five days’ advance notice of accommodation requests; last-minute requests will be accepted but may not be possible to accommodate.

To obtain further information about the Committee, contact:Will Schell, DFO, Disability Rights Office (DRO), CGB, (202) 418-0767 (voice) or DAC@fcc.gov; or Debra Patkin, Alternate DFO, DRO, CGB, (202) 870-5226 (voice or videophone for American Sign Language users). The DAC website address is: <https://www.fcc.gov/disability-advisory-committee>.

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1. 5 U.S.C. App. 2. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)