

The Role of Disabled Persons' Organizations and Other Social Organizations in China during COVID-19

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1.The influence of COVID-19

▶ key featurus of COVID-19

- ▶ dangerous but invisible enemy
- ▶ spread **socially**

▶ Influence of COVID-19 (PWDs)

- ▶ lock-down (low liquidity, decrease of social interaction)
- ▶ interruption of social service
- ▶ risk of infection
- ▶ threatening basic living security

2. The response of social organizations

- ▶ underestimation of the risk earlier, but then the actions was quick
- ▶ providing help to others in a very difficult situation of its own
 - ▶ multiple types (CDPF, DPO, Self-help Group ...)
 - ▶ multiple services
 - ▶ online service, such as home rehabilitation guidance, psychological support
 - ▶ deployment of emergency supplies
 - ▶ ...

Profile of disability-related social organizations

- ▶ China Disabled Persons' Federation (CDPF), from national to local level
 - ▶ three key functions: represent the common interests and safeguard the rights of persons with disabilities; provide comprehensive services to persons with disabilities; and, as commissioned by the central government, supervise the administration of disability-related affairs
 - ▶ people's organization with an official background
- ▶ Social organizations for helping the PWDs
 - ▶ that provide services to the PWDs *partly* or in whole
- ▶ Disabled Persons' Organizations (DPOs)
- ▶ Self-help groups/social organizations

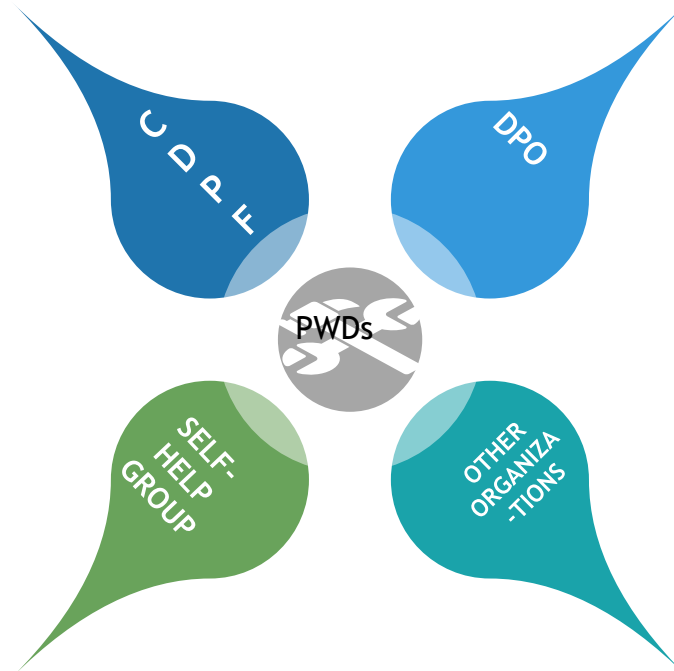
| YERR | community and rural association for the PWDs | community and rural association for the PWDs completion rate (%) | Social organizations for helping the PWDs (unit, mainly for the PWDs) |
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| 2014 | 590,000 | 93.8 | 2972 |
| 2015 | 580,600 | 93.7 | 2826 |
| 2016 | 580,400 | 94.6 | 2393 |
| 2017 | 580,600 | 95.4 | 2520 |
| 2018 | 540,900 | 94.4 | 2562 |
| 2019 | 540,000 | 94.4 | 2693 |

CDPF

top-down
policy

Self-help groups

spontaneous
affective bond



DPO

homogenized community

Social organizations for
helping the PWDs
comprehensive service

3.The Key Roles of Disabled Persons' Organizations and Other Social Organizations

- ▶ providing substantial help...
- ▶ overcome the difficulties **together**
- ▶ cooperate with other units
- ▶ making invisible people visible in society

online service and advocacy

湖北17岁脑瘫儿死亡后：如何不让悲剧重演？

深圳守望协会 1月30日

昨天，湖北黄冈红安县华河镇17岁脑瘫少年鄢成独自在家六天后离世的消息经“大米和小米”公众号发出，许多家长表达了心痛及对未来的思考。持续关注的同时，我们来谈一谈：面对突发情况，长期照顾者无法继续照顾孩子时，照顾者本人和其他人可以怎么做，为孩子提供更好的条件呢？

一 作为家长

(一) 为孩子寻找合适安置 寻找合适照顾者

在线咨询须知

为了更好地开展残疾儿童康复专家在线咨询，共同维护良好的在线咨询秩序，现将有关事项告知如下。

一、本专栏仅针对残疾儿童家庭康复有关问题提供在线咨询。咨询内容涉及以下内容，不予受理：

- (一) 违反宪法和法律法规规定的；
- (二) 煽动颠覆国家政权，推翻社会主义制度的；
- (三) 捏造或者歪曲事实，散布谣言，扰乱社会秩序的；
- (四) 公开侮辱他人、捏造事实诽谤他人或者恶意攻击他人的；
- (五) 反映非服务范围内问题的；
- (六) 不属于本单位职能范畴的。

二、在线专家咨询时间为每周一至周五8:30-17:30。

三、本专栏将提前发布各残疾类别康复专家在线咨询时间，请根据需要选择咨询具体日期。如提问不属于当日在线专家专业领域，提问将转发相关领域专家下一在线时间回复。

四、在线咨询应文明、规范用语，内容力求简明扼要，字数一般不超过150字。

在线咨询时间预告

| 时间 | 姓名 | 专业领域 |
|----------|-----|--------|
| 7月6日(周一) | 许家成 | 智力残疾康复 |
| | 于文 | 智力残疾康复 |
| | 芦燕云 | 智力残疾康复 |
| 7月7日(周二) | 贾美香 | 孤独症康复 |
| | 王梅 | 孤独症康复 |
| 7月8日(周三) | 卢晓月 | 听力残疾康复 |
| 7月9日(周四) | 张琦 | 肢体残疾康复 |
| | 孙丽佳 | 肢体残疾康复 |

有这样一批残障民间组织，支持着疫情下的中国



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Reflections

- ▶ Good community foundation is the key to dealing with all kinds of risks.
- ▶ In the face of public emergencies, online support is essential. But at the same time, we need to take into account the digital divide faced by PWDs. Face to face interaction is still an indispensable supplement.
- ▶ The current assessment is based primarily on some second-hand literature and personal observations. Future disability research seems to focus more on the long-term effects of COVID-19. Social organizations will also play a crucial role in this response.