

# Planning for the Special Needs of Vulnerable Populations During Disasters

One measure of the strength of a community's response and recovery system is its attentiveness to its most vulnerable citizens. During a disaster, vulnerable populations are least able to respond in ways that are meaningful in ensuring their safety without assistance in basic functions. Adequate planning will go far to minimize the extent to which these groups suffer disproportionately and experience devastating outcomes. Our panel of experts will help organizations who serve these populations understand the challenges, state laws, and lessons learned from those who have lived through catastrophic events.

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8:30am -12:30pm  
**Fort Worden Commons**

200 Battery Way,  
Port Townsend, WA

Pre-registration is  
required.

## Speakers:

### **Stephanie Brady**

Co-chair of the Joplin, Missouri, Area Long-Term Recovery Committee and the Chair of the Unmet Needs Committee

### **Jane Meyer**

Coordinator of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program for Jefferson and Clallam counties

### **Jaci Hoyle**

Supervisor, Medicaid in-home case management for Jefferson and Clallam counties

### **Alexandrea Hatcher**

Disability Integration Manager for the Coalition on Inclusive Emergency Planning Program at the Washington State Independent Living Council (SILC)

## Who Should Attend:

Long-term care facilities, group homes, visiting nurses associations, community health centers, nonprofits, social service agencies, emergency management, first responders, public safety, public health, health-care communities and anyone else with an interest in learning more about this issue.

## Registration:

Registration and reasonable accommodations requests should be sent to:

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