**WBU Older Persons Committee Survey**

**Questionnaire for Blindness Organizations**

**NOTE: By o*lder adults* or *older persons*, we refer to persons aged 55 years or older.**

Please complete and return to [charles.mossop@cnib.ca](mailto:charles.mossop@cnib.ca) by

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1. Your Country\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Type of organization:

\_\_ Organization providing services to blind and partially sighted persons

\_\_ Organization providing services to blind persons only

\_\_ Organization providing services to partially sighted persons only

\_\_ Organization **of** blind/partially sighted persons

\_\_ Organization **for** blind/partially sighted persons

\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. In the advocacy, public awareness, and other campaigns of your organization on behalf of persons with sight loss, how often do you include specific issues of importance to persons over the age of 55?

\_\_\_Always

\_\_\_Sometimes

\_\_\_Never

\_\_\_We do not conduct awareness and advocacy campaigns

1. What is the usual retirement age in your country?

\_\_55 years

\_\_60 years

\_\_65 years

\_\_Over 65 years

5. Does your country have an official retirement age?

\_\_ No

\_\_ Yes (Please indicate)\_\_\_\_\_

6. If your organization has employees, what percentage of them are persons over 55?

\_\_\_Less than 25%

\_\_\_25% to 50%

\_\_\_More than 50%

7. If your organization has a board of directors or similar governing committee, how many of its members are persons over the age of 55?

\_\_Less than 25%

\_\_25% to 50%

\_\_More than 50%

\_\_We do not have a board of directors or a governing committee

8..What proportion of your organization’s members/clients are 55 years of age or older?

\_\_Less than 25%

\_\_25% to 50%

\_\_More than 50%

9. In the past three years, how many projects has your organization implemented specifically with or for older adults?

\_\_Many

\_\_A few

\_\_None

\_\_We did not implement any projects

10. Are issues and services related to older adults mentioned in your organization's brochures, pamphlets, and fund-raising document?

\_\_Always

\_\_Sometimes

\_\_Never

\_\_We do not publish documents of that kind

11. Does your organization give equal opportunity for involvement to older adults when compared to persons younger than 55 years of age?

\_\_Yes

\_\_No

12. Does your country, province, or state include services for older adults, including vision rehabilitation, in its health care agenda?

\_\_\_Yes

\_\_\_No

\_\_\_Don’t know

13. Which government department(s) or Ministry(ies) in your country, province or state is responsible for policies and programs for older adults? (Please list): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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14. What do you do to make older adults with vision loss feel welcome in your organization? (check all that apply)

\_\_We offer specific programs and/or services for older adults with vision loss

\_\_We have a specific committee to address the views and needs of older adults with vision loss

\_\_We ensure the unique access needs of older adults with vision loss are considered when planning events or activities

\_\_We take no specific measures

\_\_Other (specify)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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15. What do you think are barriers to participation for older adults with vision loss? (check all that apply)

\_\_\_They do not understand that the organization is open to them

\_\_\_The activities are focused strictly on younger people

\_\_\_They feel shy to participate

\_\_\_Transportation to the activities is an issue

\_\_\_Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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