

Inclusive Data Charter monitoring form

Annual Champion progress survey – 2026

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Progress on inclusive data priorities

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1.1	What progress have you made on your Inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan priorities in the past year?	Include examples to accompany any highlights or achievements.	<p>IDC Action Plan Objective 1: continue to improve internal knowledge and practice to contribute to strengthening evidence and our learning on the collection, analysis and use of inclusive data. Webinar: On Tuesday, June 10th, 2025, the Sightsavers Inclusive Data Network (SIDN) hosted a webinar spotlighting the Inclusive Data Charter Action Plans recently validated by Cameroon’s Ministry of Decentralization and Local Development (MINDDEVEL) and Sierra Leone’s Ministry of Basic and Senior Secondary Education (MBSSE). With over 130 Sightsavers staff in attendance, the session highlighted key learnings, challenges, and opportunities drawn from the elaboration and validation processes in both countries. Additionally, the webinar underscored the</p>

			<p>importance of aligning with government policies, fostering government leadership, promoting cross-sector collaboration, and adopting context-specific strategies to effectively localise inclusive data. Guidance on Including Inclusive Data in Project: The Sightsavers Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) team has developed an Inclusive Data Guidance document that outlines various approaches and tools for collecting inclusive data. This resource offers practical guidance for data collection within Sightsavers' projects and consolidates the MEL team's learning on inclusive data collection and analysis. While age and sex data are consistently gathered across all thematic areas, disability data collection has primarily focused on Inclusive Eye Health (IEH), Economic Empowerment (EE), and Inclusive Education (IE) projects. Accordingly, the guidance note places particular emphasis on these areas. The document will be finalised and disseminated internally in the first quarter of 2026. It will also be periodically updated as we continue to test and expand disability data collection across additional thematic areas, such as Inclusive Health and Citizenship and Political Participation.</p> <p>Disability Disaggregated Data Study: As part of our Ireland Civil Society Partnership for a Better World programme, the Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) team is conducting a study on the collection of disability-disaggregated data within eye health projects in Senegal, Sierra Leone, and Liberia. This study utilizes the Washington Group Short Set of Questions (WGSSQs), and baseline data collection was successfully completed in all three countries in 2025.</p> <p>Cohort Study in Education: As part of our Ireland Civil Society Partnership for a Better World programme, we are conducting a cohort study on the educational transition of learners with disabilities enrolled in pilot project schools in Cameroon and Senegal. Transition</p>
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			<p>data for the 2023–2024 and 2024–2025 academic years have been collected. In 2025, data review meetings were held with education government partners in both countries to discuss challenges and share learnings aimed at advancing the collection and use of disability-disaggregated data in schools.</p> <p>IDC Action Plan Objective Two: We will work with local, national and global partners to increase the capacity to collect, analyse and use inclusive data within projects and programmes to improve service delivery. Knowledge Exchange with IDC Champions: During the July 2025 IDC Champions call, organized by the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD), the Sightsavers Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) team delivered a session on collecting disability-disaggregated data in projects. In addition, we are currently planning for a knowledge exchange session with the Government of Paraguay. Scheduled for quarter four of 2025, the session will focus on supporting Paraguay’s efforts in developing harmonized guidelines for collecting disability data in national surveys and administrative systems. Knowledge exchange between Ivory Coast and Cameroon: On April 29, 2025, the Sightsavers Ivory Coast Country Office, in partnership with the Federation of Organisations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs) and the Ministry of Health and Social Protection, hosted a workshop focused on advancing the collection, analysis, and use of disability-disaggregated data through engagement with the Inclusive Data Charter (IDC). The event welcomed representatives from Cameroon’s Ministry of Decentralization and Local Development (MINDDEVEL), who shared their experience using the IDC as a catalyst to strengthen</p>
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			<p>inclusive data policy and practice within decentralization systems. While Cameroon's efforts centred on local governance, stakeholders in Ivory Coast prioritized the integration of disability-disaggregated data into national population censuses. A key recommendation from the workshop emphasized the need to align disability categories in census data with international standards, including the use of the Washington Group Questions. Additionally, the OPD Federation delivered a compelling presentation urging the Ivory Coast government to sign up to the Inclusive Data Charter and leverage its technical and financial support to advance disability-inclusive national data systems.</p> <p>Inclusive Data Workshop in Sierra Leone: In July 2025, the Sightsavers Sierra Leone country team organized an inclusive data training for government and civil society partners implementing the Ireland Civil Society Partnership for a Better World programme. The workshop brought together representatives from Organisations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs), government institutions, and community leaders. It focused on inclusive data principles and the use of disability-disaggregated data collection tools, aiming to reinforce government commitment to the Leave No One Behind agenda through improved inclusive data practices. Key outcomes from the workshop included recommendations to enhance the harmonization of data collection tools and strengthen coordination mechanisms.</p> <p>IDC Action Plan Objective Three: We will diversify resource mobilisation, engage new supporters and strengthen Sightsavers' reporting and accountability mechanisms to meet our commitments on inclusive data.</p> <p>Inclusive Data Annual Report: In March 2025, we published the 2024 Sightsavers Inclusive Data Annual</p>
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			<p>inclusive data. Interactions included representatives from IDC champion countries such as Malta, CBM Global, and Kenya’s ministry of labour and social development, as well as agencies from the Bahamas, Namibia, and the national federation for the visually impaired.</p> <p>Engagements with GIZ and the world bank–Microsoft Disability Data Hub team added depth to discussions on national commitments and future collaboration on data systems. Sightsavers also connected with partners driving inclusive data work across regions, including Women Enabled International, save the children, the global disability fund under UNDP, the commonwealth disabled people’s forum, and the Miral welfare foundation. CBM Global, which co-organized the Disability Data Forums, provided a strong link to collective advocacy on improving data quality, expanding disaggregated data, and elevating community-generated insights. In addition, Sightsavers and CBM International developed and announced joint commitments that placed inclusive data at the centre. The commitment highlighted shared priorities such as strengthening disability data systems, improving collection and analysis practices, and ensuring that governments and partners can use better evidence to drive the Leave No One Behind agenda. This collaboration underscored both organizations’ alignment and long-term dedication to advancing high-quality, accessible, and actionable disability data.</p>
1.2	<p>What areas of your Inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan have you made the least progress on, in the past year?</p>	<p>Include any challenges or barriers faced.</p>	<p>Strengthening Disability Inclusive National Health Data Systems: In Malawi, efforts to pilot the collection of disability-disaggregated data in hospital through Organisation of Persons with Disabilities (OPD) registers have been postponed. This delay stems from challenges related to harmonizing disability identification documents, which are essential for consistent and reliable data</p>

			collection. The situation highlights the need for stronger coordination and standardization mechanisms within national health systems to support inclusive data practices. Funding and Thematic Alignment : In Liberia, despite progress following county-level engagements initiated in 2024, significant challenges remain. During a July 2025 meeting between Sightsavers Liberia, the Ministry of Interior, and the Liberia Institute of Statistics and Geo-Information Services (LISGIS), stakeholders agreed to pilot inclusive data collection in two counties. However, we anticipate delays we continue to explore viable funding sources and seek clarity on how the pilot will integrate with and strengthen existing Sightsavers inclusive eye health programmes in Liberia.
1.3	Have there been any changes to your Inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan objectives in the last year?	(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details of any changes</i>	No.
1.4 a	Has the progress on advancing your inclusive data priorities/ IDC Action Plan led to any changes (internally or externally) in one or more of the following areas?	<i>Checklist – tick all that apply:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased visibility and awareness on inclusive data ● Broader engagement and action being taken on inclusive data ● Increased capacity to collect, analyze and make use of inclusive data ● Strengthened coordination and collaboration with others to advance inclusive data objectives ● Strengthened knowledge exchange & learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Increased visibility and awareness on inclusive data (internal and external) ● Broader engagement and action being taken on inclusive data (internal and external) ● Increased capacity to collect, analyze and make use of inclusive data (internal and external) ● Strengthened coordination and collaboration with others to advance inclusive data objectives(internal and external) ● Strengthened knowledge exchange & learning (internal and external) ● Use of inclusive data to inform policy change or impacts for marginalised groups(internal and external)

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1.4 b	Please briefly highlight any specific examples or stories demonstrating the changes that have occurred in behaviour, practice, policy, or systems as a result of your work on inclusive data in the last year		<p>In Malawi, our continued advocacy for strengthening disability-inclusive national data systems through engagement with the IDC has led to a notable shift in government commitment. In 2025, the Government of Malawi formally submitted an expression of interest to join the IDC network. This progress illustrates how sustained advocacy can drive meaningful change in government priorities.</p> <p>In Cameroon, our ongoing inclusive data advocacy, including technical and financial support to the Ministry of Decentralization and Local Development (MINDDEVEL) contributed to the development and validation of the ministry’s inaugural Inclusive Data Charter (IDC) Action Plan in May 2025. In addition, MINDDEVEL has reviewed its data collection tools to incorporate disability-related indicators within administrative data systems. As a result of this review, the 2025 statistical report is expected to include disability-related administrative data from all 365 councils across the country, marking a significant step toward more inclusive practice.</p> <p>In Liberia, our inclusive data advocacy began in 2024 with targeted engagements across counties to promote the use of inclusive data and the Inclusive Data Charter (IDC) as enables for strengthening county development planning. These efforts have led to a notable shift in commitment at the sub-national level. In the first quarter of 2025, representatives from all 15 counties jointly signed and submitted a resolution to the Ministry of Interior, urging the government to sign up to the IDC. The</p>

			resolution emphasized the role of inclusive data in effectively implementing Liberia’s Local Development Act through data-driven planning and service delivery. This example demonstrates how sustained engagement can influence local leadership and catalyse national-level policy action toward more inclusive data systems.
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IDC network engagement

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2.1	In the last 12 months, have you engaged in any advocacy around the IDC, like encouraging other organizations to join or speaking about the IDC at events?	(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details, including any examples</i>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>Building on county-level engagements initiated in 2024, the Sightsavers Liberia team and the Ministry of Interior met with the Liberia Institute of Statistics and Geo-Information Services (LISGIS) in July 2025 to review progress. Stakeholders agreed to pilot inclusive data collection in two counties. However, Sightsavers and government partners are still exploring funding sources and clarifying how the pilot will leverage existing Sightsavers inclusive eye health programmes in Liberia. On April 29, 2025, the Sightsavers Ivory Coast Country Office, in partnership with the Federation of Organisations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs) and the Ministry of Health and Social Protection, hosted a workshop focused on advancing the collection, analysis, and use of disability-disaggregated data through engagement with the Inclusive Data Charter (IDC). The event welcomed representatives from Cameroon’s Ministry of Decentralization and Local Development (MINDDEVEL), who shared their experience using the IDC as a catalyst to strengthen inclusive data policy and practice within decentralization systems. While Cameroon’s efforts centred on local governance, stakeholders in Ivory Coast prioritized the integration of disability-disaggregated data into national population</p>
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2.2	<p>In the last 12 months, has being part of the IDC enabled you to collaborate with other Champions or partners to take forward your inclusive data priorities?</p>	<p>(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details, including any examples.</i></p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>During the July 2025 IDC Champions call, organized by the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD), the Sightsavers Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) team delivered a session on collecting disability-disaggregated data in projects. In addition, we are currently planning for a knowledge exchange session with the Government of Paraguay. Scheduled for quarter four of 2025, the session will focus on supporting Paraguay's efforts in developing harmonized guidelines for collecting disability data in national surveys and administrative systems.</p>
2.3	<p>In the last 12 months, have you shared practice and learning with other countries/organizations on the actions you are taking on inclusive data?</p>	<p>(Yes, No) <i>If yes, please give details, including examples.</i></p>	<p>Yes.</p>
2.4	<p>Which of the offerings below have you engaged with as a member of the IDC network in the last 12 months?</p>	<p>Checklist – tick all that apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Communication, advocacy & engagement opportunities e.g. blogs, data stories, events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Participating in knowledge exchange & learning sessions e.g. Champion network calls ● Collaborating with other Champions on shared challenges , topics of interest or inclusive data projects ● Receiving support from the IDC Secretariat to advance your work on inclusive data

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2.5	<p>To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements based on your organization's engagement with the IDC? (<i>strongly agree, somewhat agree, neither agree nor disagree, somewhat disagree, strongly disagree</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I feel that my organization's voice is heard within the network. ● I feel pride in being part of the IDC when thinking about my organization's membership in the network. ● I feel that the IDC as a network is making a difference and contributing to external change and action towards more 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I feel that my organization's voice is heard within the network - Strongly Agree ● I feel pride in being part of the IDC when thinking about my organization's membership in the network- Strongly Agree ● I feel that the IDC as a network is making a difference and contributing to external change and action towards more inclusive and equitable practices - Strongly Agree ● I feel well informed about opportunities to participate in IDC coordinated activities - Strongly Agree ● I feel that my organization is getting value from being engaged in the IDC and being part of this network is helping us to advance work that we could not otherwise do alone - Strongly Agree

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Looking ahead

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3.1	What are your priorities for your IDC action plan / inclusive data work in the next 12 months?		<p>- Publish the 2025 Sightsavers Inclusive Data Annual Report - Develop the 2026 Inclusive Data Internal Workplan - Develop a consolidated organisational document on disability data tools and approaches across Sightsavers.</p> <p>- Launch the newly developed internal Inclusive data guidance notes - Engaging in strategic events/ collaborations with partners including the IDC network, GPSDD and other partners to advance our inclusive data objectives - help to keep the focus on inclusive data in the wider political and development debate</p>