



Who we are

Women Enabled International (WEI) is the leading global organization at the intersection of gender and disability. Since 2012, we have been tackling the barriers to human rights that women, girls, and gender-diverse people with disabilities face. We support and amplify the work and knowledge of local leaders and advocates to design and implement solutions and strengthen the capacity of different stakeholders.



Our Team

We are feminists with disabilities and allies. Our staff is spread across 9 countries, more than half identify as being from the global majority and as having a physical, sensory, developmental, and/or psychosocial disability or chronic illness.

WEI is led by **Maryangel García-Ramos, a prominent Mexican activist with a disability.** We are attorneys, advocates, researchers, community organizers, trainers, and communicators, with specialized backgrounds in sexual and reproductive health, gender-based violence, and disability inclusion.

Why Gender and Disability?



One in five women worldwide has a disability. Critical issues impacting democracy, human rights, and gender equality can only be remedied when women, girls, and gender-diverse people with disabilities are seen as equal partners in identifying solutions. Yet, accessibility barriers, lack of funding, and pervasive stigma prevent us from participating in decision-making spaces.



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Centering Our Global Movement

Everything is a gender and disability issue.

This is why WEI's integrated and holistic strategies center our global movement of women, girls, and gender-diverse people with disabilities. We know progress depends on feminist disabled leaders harnessing our full potential and power as changemakers to shape a world that values our voices and experiences.

To achieve this, we are:



- Identifying and **investing in 100 Feminist Disabled Changemakers** to strengthen their work, visibility, and sustainability.



- Working hand in hand with these leaders, we aim to **advance 100 Advocacy Initiatives** at the local, regional, and international levels.



- We are co-creating an ethical and participatory method to **tell 100 Feminist Disabled Stories**. Together, we will **rewrite the narrative around gender and disability**, one story at a time.



- And we are **identifying, collaborating with, and strengthening the organizational capacity of 100 Allies for Inclusive Action across sectors**—UN Agencies, government, service providers, INGOs, funders, and researchers—who recognize that gender equality depends on disability inclusion and are committed to building a truly intersectional feminist future.

Our Track Record

As the first—and still only—international organization focused on advancing rights and justice at the intersection of gender and disability, WEI works to create structural change by centering and amplifying the work of local leaders to push for meaningful participation and impactful solutions.

Partnered with disabled leaders and allies in Fiji to **reach 1000+ people—with and without disabilities**—with sexual and reproductive health and rights information, goods, and services, many for the first time ever.

"I will use the knowledge to educate others, support people in my community, and speak up against violence and discrimination and know their rights."
Participant at Our Bodies, Our Rights Workshop in Nigeria

"What we did with the Women Enabled team in terms of raising our voices... That was really very important. And I think this kind of collective activism really binds us to collectively amplify our voices."
Pratima Gurung, NIDWAN, former WEI Board member

Supported **100+ feminist disabled leaders** to participate in **16 global advocacy forums** in 2024.

Led a discussion with more than **50 funders and advocates** to demystify **What You Need to Know to Be a Disability and Gender-Inclusive Funder**

"WEI is meeting people where they are, from addressing myths and increasing basic understanding ... to practical, technical guidance about inclusive and gender-responsive service provisions."
Gender Programme Specialist, UNFPA, Eastern Europe/Central Asia

