**Questionnaire on** **the right of persons with disabilities to the highest attainable standard of health**

1. Please provide information on existing or planned legislation and policies to ensure the realization of the right to health of persons with disabilities, including current challenges and good practices.

In the field of health care there is a set of laws and bylaws that regulate health care of persons with disabilities. Those are legal measures which ensure rights of persons with disabilities to all forms of health care, adequate diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation with providing orthopaedic supplies, medical instruments and other equipment. First of all, it is provided by Law on health care, but also by Law on patients’ rights, Law on protection of persons with mental disabilities, Rulebook on medical and technical supplies that are ensured from compulsory health insurance means and Decision on participation of the insured persons in the costs of health care.

1. Please provide any information and statistical data (including surveys, censuses, administrative data, literature, reports, and studies) related to the exercise of the right to health of persons with disabilities in general, as well as with particular focus in the following areas:

* Availability of barrier-free general healthcare services and programmes, which take into account all accessibility aspects for persons with disabilities;
* access to free or affordable general healthcare services and programmes, including mental health services, services related to HIV/AIDS and universal health coverage;
* access to free or affordable disability-specific healthcare services and programmes; and
* access to free or affordable health-related habilitation and rehabilitation goods and services, including early identification and intervention.

Despite a solid legislative framework, problem and main challenge is the inaccessibility of certain facilities of health care institutions, the lack of adequate medical devices and supplies adapted to persons with disabilities, as well as the lack of staff in health care institutions.

1. Please provide information on discrimination against persons with disabilities in the provision of healthcare, health insurance and/or life insurance by public or private service providers.

Please kindly note, Protector of Citizens does not deal with complaints against discrimination, but specialised independent institution - Commissioner for equality, therefore it would be the best to address this institution in Serbia for detailed information.

1. Please provide information on the observance of the right to free and informed consent of persons with disabilities regarding healthcare, including sexual and reproductive health and mental health services.

Please kindly note, we do not have needed information.

1. Please describe to what extent and how are persons with disabilities and their representative organizations involved in the design, planning, implementation and evaluation of health policies, programmes and services.

Please kindly note, we do not have needed information. For more information it would be best to address Ministry of labour, employment, veteran and social affairs and Ministry of health of the Republic of Serbia.