**Empower U: Learn to Access Your Disability Rights**

Vancouver, 28 October 2019

**Empower U is co-presented by the Council of Canadians with Disabilities and Canadian Association of Deaf – Association des Sourds du Canada**

Program

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| 9:00 –   9:30 | Land Acknowledgement, Welcome and IntroductionsSteven Estey, Council of Canadians with Disabilities (CCD) |
|   9:30 – 10:15  | Introduction to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) Steven Estey, Council of Canadians with Disabilities |
| 10:15 – 10:30 | Break |
| 10:30 – 11:15 | CRPD Optional ProtocolFrank Folino, Canadian Association of the Deaf – Association des Sourds du Canada (CAD-ASC) |
| 11:15 – 12:00 | CRPD Shadow ReportSteven Estey, CCD  |
| 12:00 -1:00 | Lunch provided |
| 1:00 - 2:00 | Human Rights and Disability PanelLaura Johnston, Community Legal Assistance SocietyDavid McGregor, Ministry of Children and Family Development and Ministry of Social Development, Accessibility Secretariat |
| 2:00 – 3:15 | Group WorkSteven Estey, CCD and Frank Folino, CAD-ASC |
| 3:15 – 3:30 | Break |
| 3:30 – 4:15 | Accessible Canada ActSteven Estey, CCD |
| 4:15 – 4:30 | Evaluation and Closing |