



## WOW: MY IMPACT STATEMENT

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### Examples:

- People with disabilities are two to four times more likely to be injured or die in a disaster.
- During the California wildfires last year we had to evacuate our home and were displaced without access to a refrigerator – this is very dangerous for me because my injectable disease modifying therapy has to be kept cold.



## HOW: IMPACT ON THE MS COMMUNITY AND CONGRESS' ROLE IN THE SOLUTION

*(You do not have to use all of the points below, pick what best supports your impact statement.)*

- The Real Emergency Access for Aging and Disability Inclusion for Disasters Act, (READI) will address serious gaps in disaster preparation as supported by the Government Accountability Office. This ensures that people with disabilities and the elderly are part of emergency preparations at the local, state and national levels.
- The Disaster Relief Medicaid Act (DRMA) will make Medicaid available when a recipient relocates across state lines as a result of a disaster.



## NOW: THE ASK FOR CONGRESS

- Cosponsor the READI Act: S. 1755 (Casey, Collins) /H.R. 3208 (Langevin)
- Cosponsor DRMA: S. 1754 (Casey) /H.R. 3215 (Shalala and Gonzalez-Colon)

### Additional notes:

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