

Abstract and Participants: Panel on Utilizing Research and Analysis to Evaluate Government Programs, IFDM 2010 – 9/21/2010 -11:00 to 12:30

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Abstract: The panel moderator will provide an introduction (above) to suggest why and how governments evaluate disability management programs and provide a descriptive overview on the evaluation of US government programs and an example of a multi level evaluation of one program. Two of our panelist will report on the methodology and evaluation results of workers' compensation programs disability management efforts in two different Canadian provinces. Our third panelist will present the rationale for and outcomes from an assessment of a National (Malaysia) return to work program.

We will reserve time for questions regarding the presentations and general discussion. We will invite audience to share relevant experiences and encourage suggestions for how future government research and analysis can contribute to the furtherance of the goals of increasing work participation of persons with disabilities including the role of ICF.