Saturday 6 October 2018, is the day to act for cerebral palsy.

Let’s create a powerful message that starts with the words: I AM HERE... or WE ARE HERE... to advocate for change, surface ideas and celebrate achievements.

SIX AREAS FOR ACTION, IDEAS AND CELEBRATION

There are six key issues that affect the lives of people with CP globally. These are our targets - for World CP Day and beyond.

1. **Public Awareness**—Putting an end to ignorance and the stigma it can create, by building a true understanding of what CP is (and is not). The objective is nothing less than to create cultural change so that everyone in a society embraces people with CP as brothers, sisters and full citizens.

2. **Civil Rights**—Ensuring that government officials at the local, regional and national level will move beyond passing proclamations, and take concrete action to guarantee that our basic rights, our full citizenship and our individual opportunities are real and cannot be taken away.

3. **Medical/Therapeutic**—The very best information for the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of CP so doctors and therapists can make better decisions earlier in the process and provide everyone with CP the best possible assistance in living the fullest possible life.

4. **Quality of Life**—The most useful advice, support and inspiration for our community, our families and others who help us. Not just to help each of us “survive” the challenges, but to ensure we all thrive and can find enjoyment and fulfillment in life.

5. **Education**—Helping all educators create an experience that will encourage the broader community to embrace people with CP, and provide an education to members of the CP community that is equal to that of every other citizen of the societies in which we live.

6. **Making our Contribution**—Each of us has a unique ability to contribute economically, artistically, socially and/or politically. Not being able to make that contribution is not just a matter of personal loss; it is a matter of robbing our entire society and culture of something that is essential to its ability to flourish.

Please tell us your stories, tools, ideas, and successes so others can benefit. We will move farther, when we move together!

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