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Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title III

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Americans with Disabilities Act Title III - Public Accommodations and Commercial Facilities

Title III of the ADA covers all public accommodations and commercial facilities. This includes all businesses that provides public accommodations such as lodging, restaurants, retail stores, movie theaters, museums, schools, sporting arenas, and doctors' and lawyers' offices.

Title III prohibits exclusion, segregation and unequal treatment by business, nonprofit services, privately owned entities, privately operated transportation and commercial facilities.

Establishments must not deny equal enjoyment for goods and services.

Title III reasonable accommodations:

All entities under the ADA Title III are responsible for providing a reasonable accommodation.

- Must furnish auxiliary aids and services.
- Must ensure effective communication

Examples of reasonable accommodations are

- Assistive listening devices
- Signed Language Interpreters
- Communication Access Real-time Translation (CART)
- Installation of ramps
- Rearranging furniture

For more information regarding Title III, go to www.ada.gov/ada_title_III.htm An excellent small business primer can be found at: www.ada.gov/regs2010/smallbusiness/smallbusprimer2010.htm

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