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Episode 21: **Pregnancy, Quadriplegia & a Pandemic**

Summary of Episode:

Dani is a disability advocate and wheelchair user, and a new mom to twins. She is the subject and producer of the documentary film, "Dani's Twins," about pregnancy and motherhood as a quadriplegic during the pandemic.

Biography:

Star and co-producer of Perpetuo Film's "Dani's Twins" documentary, Dani continues to amplify issues faced by disabled parents. She is immersed in the world of grassroots advocacy where she has worked with organizations on local and national levels including United Spinal Association and Women Enabled International to craft and promote solutions for inequities faced by disabled people on a day-to-day basis. Dani is also a digital and social marketing professional specializing in disability inclusive advertising. She holds a Master's in English with a focus on Disability Studies. And as the founder of Access Social, a boutique disability-led agency, Dani's mission is to help companies meet the 3rd largest market segment in the U.S. She is a multinational Italian-American wheelchair-using mother to twin toddlers and lives in Virginia just outside of Shenandoah National Park.

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Dani's blog: <http://daniizzie.com>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/daniizzie>

Resources

The Special Interest Research Group on Parents and Parenting with Intellectual Disabilities

was founded in 1996 at an international conference in Denmark which was organized by the Danish Ministry of Social Affairs and The EU Commission. The SIRG/PID was formally affiliated with the International Association on the Scientific Study of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IASSIDD) in 2002. The mission of the Special Interest Research Group on Parents and Parenting with Intellectual Disabilities is:

- To create opportunities for international and multidisciplinary networking;
- To foster research and innovation;
- To expose social and systemic discrimination against and promote equalisation of opportunity for parents with intellectual disabilities and their children;
- To facilitate the translation of knowledge from research into policies and practices. <https://iassidd.org/sirgs/parenting-with-intellectual-disabilities/>