

**Are you being served?  
How well are public and national libraries in the  
Caribbean meeting the needs of the blind and  
the partially sighted?**

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# Areas of Focus for the Discussion

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The purpose of this session is to determine:

- Current services and whether they are working
- Who owns the problem and should drive the solution locally and regionally
- The framework for service development and delivery

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- Overview of service to print disabled in the Region – round table sharing of information

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## Collection and Resource Development

- Production and/or Purchase
- Copyright Legislation
- Exemptions
- Advocacy
- Stakeholder involvement
- Defining partnerships and readiness for partnership

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Technology and transition to digital formats

- Community not homogeneous and depends on who is being served
- Duplication is expensive
- Skills and abilities of client and staff an issue

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The framework for service development and delivery

- Who Owns the Problem and the solution?
- Locally?
- Regionally?
  
- Integration with existing services
- Is there a budget and where is it located?