

# PERSPECTIVES

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**Diversity is a celebration of our uniqueness.  
The spirit and desire to Live with Independence  
is at the very core of this celebration.**

**Join us in learning from the woman who lives and leads this celebration every day.**

Yomi Wrong is Executive Director of the Center for Independent Living (CIL), with headquarters in Berkeley. Founded in 1972, CIL is the world's first independent living center. It is the international leader in helping people with unique challenges live independently and allowing them to make and execute **Their** choices for independence in **Their** lives.

As a person with a disability, Yomi understands the important role that independence plays in the lives of many people with disabilities. Born with a congenital brittle bone disease, Yomi grew up during the exciting era of the early Disability Rights Movement, and directly benefited from the hard-won victories of the disability rights pioneers in the areas of equal access to housing, education and employment options for persons with disabilities.

In her role as Executive Director, Yomi provides strategic leadership and vision for CIL. She regularly provides training and technical assistance on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other disability awareness issues to local service organizations and government agencies.

Prior to CIL, Yomi worked as a print journalist, writing and editing for numerous publications including the Pulitzer-prize winning Orange County Register and San Jose Mercury News. She is a native New Yorker and currently resides in Oakland.



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