The U.S. Access Board will hold its next meeting on July 29 from 1:30 – 3 p.m. ET (11:30 - 1 p.m. MT) and will stream the proceedings live for the first time. The public is invited to attend the meeting through the scheduled webcast or in person at the Board's conference space in downtown Washington, D.C. The meeting will take place during a week of events celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

"Passage of the ADA was made possible only through the grassroots advocacy and active engagement of a broad and vocal constituency," notes Access Board Chair Sachin Dev Pavithran. "Inaugurating webcasts of our meetings to provide people all over the country, as well as the globe, a virtual ringside seat to the proceedings is an especially appropriate way for the Board to mark the ADA's anniversary."

The meeting agenda includes reports from Board committees and from the Executive Director, as well as updates on agency rulemaking and other activities. It also includes briefings from invited speakers. Marilyn Golden, a Senior Policy Analyst at the Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund, will review major findings from a comprehensive analysis of public transportation accessibility conducted for the National Council on Disability. Maria Town, Associate Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement, is also slated to address the Board.

Meetings of the Board are held every two months in Washington, D.C. The Board is structured to function as a coordinating body among federal agencies and to directly represent the public, particularly people with disabilities. Its membership includes 13 citizens appointed by the President and 12 representatives from federal departments.

For further information, visit the Board's website.