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Mia Ives-Rublee is currently the director of the Disability Justice Initiative at the Center for American Progress. She began her career at the North Carolina Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, where she helped people with disabilities obtain employment and community services. Mia then worked at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as a research assistant studying the impacts of first responders dealing with mental health crisis events. Later, she was employed as a confidential assistant to Commissioner Chai Feldblum and began community organizing and contracting with progressive organizations. These included the Women's March, Families Belong Together, Planned Parenthood, and many others. Mia then contributed to the Elizabeth Warren for President campaign as a regional constituent director and volunteered for the Biden Campaign. Mia worked also for civic organizations by encouraging people to vote. Now a policy analyst, utilizing a disability justice lens, she speaks publicly across the country about civil rights issues.

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