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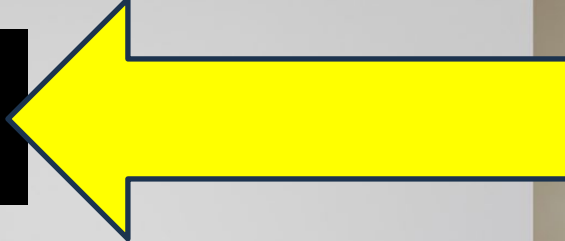
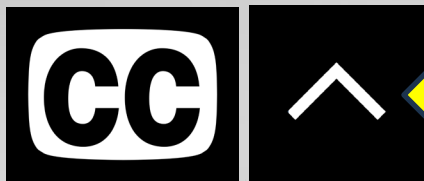
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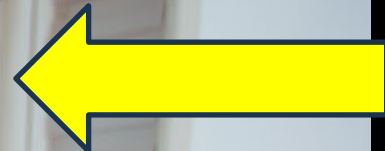
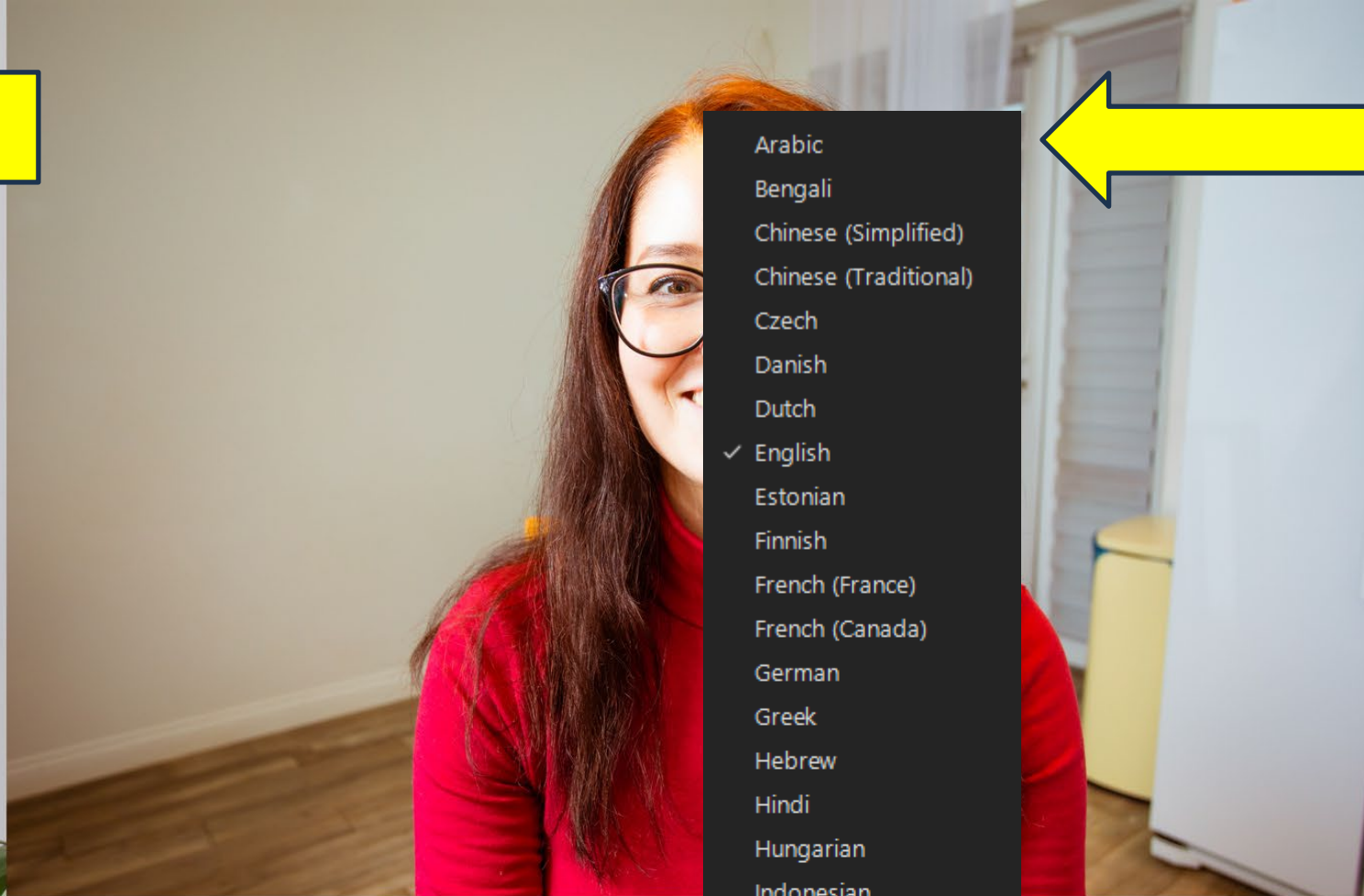
Caregivers' Forum



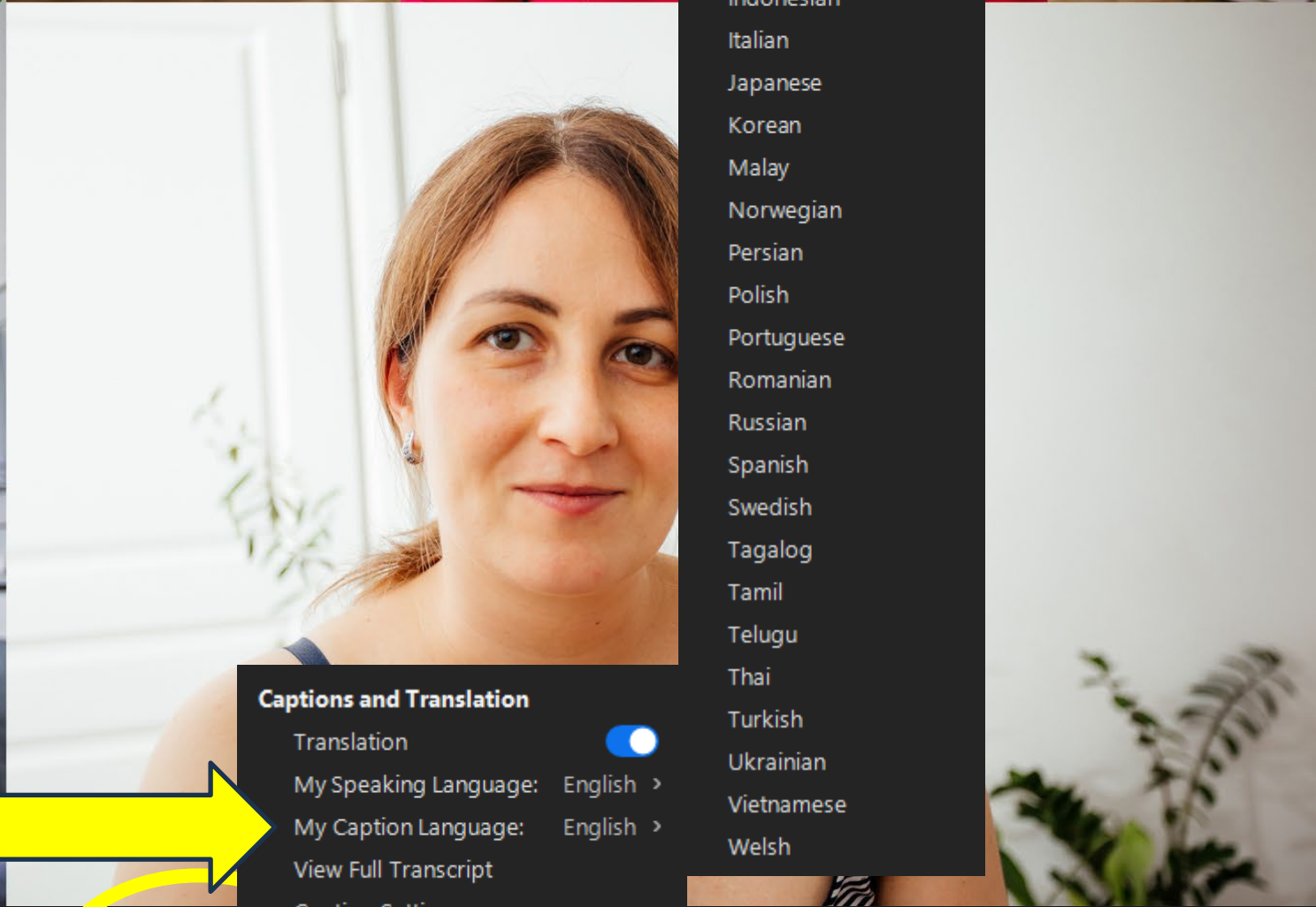
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IPWSO was established in 1991. Since then, we have supported and connected national PWS associations, as well as people with PWS, their families and the professionals who work with them.

Forty-seven national PWS associations make up our current membership and we support individuals in over seventy other countries. While we are proud of our heritage and recognise that some people with PWS now achieve far better outcomes than were believed possible in the past, we are acutely aware that people with PWS and their families continue to face serious challenges, particularly in countries where knowledge is limited and treatments, services and support are difficult to access.



Caregiver Delegates

Caregiver Delegates are the point of contact that IPWSO's Professional Provider Caregiver Board (PPCB) uses to distribute information about residential support. Caregiver Delegates are appointed by their country's PWS Association.

At present, IPWSO has 12 appointed Caregiver Delegates, in Australia, Austria, Denmark, Ireland, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, and USA.



The Caregivers' Forum

IPWSO supports this caregiver community by facilitating:

- 3 Caregivers' Forum meetings annually
- 3 Forum newsletters following meetings
- A webpage for the Forum which includes latest news and shared resources
- Ad-hoc support for networking in your own country.



Open Forum Discussion

Ideas on maximising potential of the Forum

Tell us about residential care in your country

What are some challenges you face at work?

What about innovations that others can learn from?





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Desired topics include, but are not limited to:

1. Aging in PWS
2. Caregivers Working with the Family of the Person with PWS
3. Creative Therapy Options for People with PWS (ex: Art, Dance, Music)
4. Decreasing Challenging Behaviours in PWS
5. Friends, Relationships and Sexuality
6. Understanding Nutrition for People with PWS
7. Overcoming Cultural Barriers and Stigma
8. Siblings of People with PWS who are in Residential Care
9. Supporting Families in Early Intervention
10. Specialist Support Services (ex: Respite Care)
11. Supports Available for People with PWS with Very Challenging Behaviour

Questions?

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