

Ensuring healthy lives and well-being for all persons with disabilities



Sustainable Development Goals

Goal 3: Healthy lives and well-being for all

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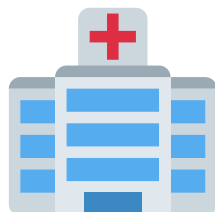


Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Article 25:

- Access to free or affordable health services for persons with disabilities, on an equal basis with others
- Removal of discriminatory barriers that prevent full access to health-care services

Other articles highlight enhanced participation in the labour market and in economic, community and political life which impact a person's health



Among 43 countries, 42% of persons with disabilities versus 6% of persons without disabilities perceive their health as poor

Persons with disabilities are more than 3 times as likely to be unable to get health care when they need it

In some countries, more than 50% of persons with disabilities have an unmet need for rehabilitation services like physiotherapy

Actions to achieve the highest attainable standard of health for all persons with disabilities



- Strengthen national legislation and policies on health care in line with the Convention
- Identify and eliminate barriers to accessibility in health-care facilities
- Improve health-care coverage and affordability for persons with disabilities
- Train health-care personnel on disability inclusion and improve service delivery for persons with disabilities
- Empower persons with disabilities to take control over their own health-care decisions
- Prohibit discriminatory practices in health insurance and promote health insurance coverage for assistive products and rehabilitation services
- Monitor, evaluate and strengthen health systems to include and deliver for persons with disabilities

