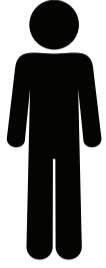




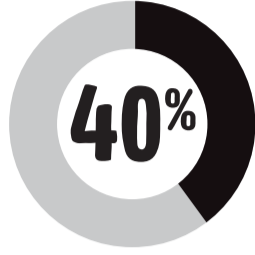
**1 in 4**  
New Zealanders is  
deaf or disabled



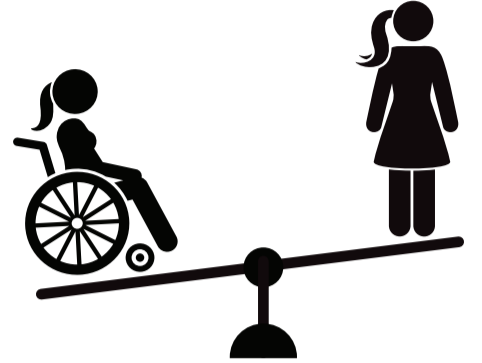
The disabled community is diverse



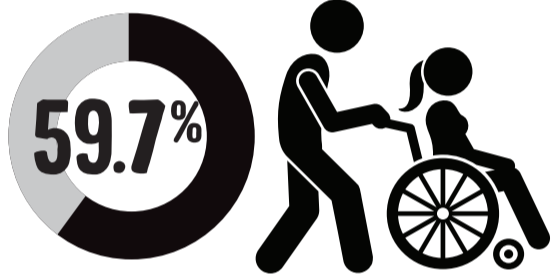
Some impairments  
are **invisible**



40% of disabled women experienced  
**physical intimate partner violence**  
over their lifetimes, compared with  
25% of non-disabled women



**More disabled people**  
reported non-partner physical  
and sexual violence experiences  
than non-disabled people



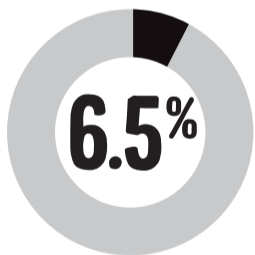
The main perpetrators of  
**non-partner physical violence**  
for disabled **women** were  
**parents and relatives**

# SHINE A LIGHT ON DISABILITY AND VIOLENCE



The main perpetrators of  
**non-partner physical violence**  
for disabled **men** were **strangers**

**Abuse by family members**  
is more common for disabled people



6.5% of disabled people experienced offences by family  
members compared with 2.1% of non-disabled people



**Withholding aids,  
medication or devices**  
from disabled people is a  
form of family violence



**Organisations and systems**  
are not always safe and accessible  
to disabled people, making it harder  
to escape violence and abuse

It is difficult for  
disabled people to  
escape when they  
are **reliant on a  
primary caregiver**  
who is violent  
or abusive



Disabled people **aren't  
inherently 'vulnerable'** but they  
need **systems that work for them**

