



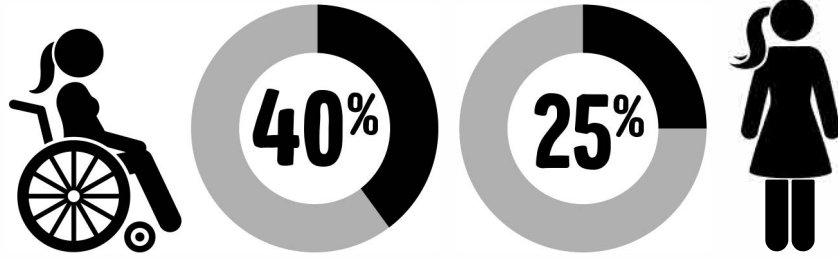
1 in 4  
New Zealanders is  
deaf or disabled



The disabled community is diverse



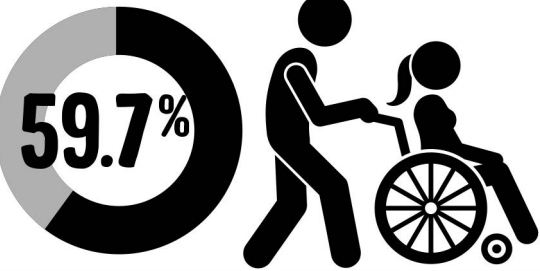
Some impairments  
are invisible



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



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

