This is an Easy Read summary of a Statement of Concern about people with disability and COVID-19.

People with disability are at high risk with COVID-19.

Some people with disability are at very high risk

- Older people
- First Peoples
- People with intellectual disability
- People with mental health issues or
- Other health issues
The health plan

The government is making a health plan for people with disability and COVID-19.

A group of experts wants to make sure decisions respect the rights of people with disability.

The plan must follow the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

- Equality and respect
- Non-discrimination
- Right to life
- Being equal before the law
- Right to health
- Safety in emergencies
- Include people with disability
Decision making framework

Decisions about health must ensure people with disability are treated equal and get

- Good health care
- Emergency health care
- Support they need

People with disability must give consent to decisions about their health care.

Health people should not judge the value of the lives of people with disability.

People with disability and their organisations must have their say about laws and plans.
Working in hard times

The experts know it is a hard time for health systems and health people.

They value the work health people are doing.

They know there will be a high need for life saving medical care with COVID-19.

Decisions about health care must treat people with disability equally.