

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

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3rd December marks the International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD). WHO is joining with other United Nations agencies and civil society organisations to celebrate "a day for all", highlighting what unites us all: being part of human diversity.

Over a billion people in the world - 1 in 7 - experience disability. People with disabilities have generally poorer health, lower education achievements, fewer economic opportunities and higher rates of poverty than people without disabilities. This is largely due to the lack of services available to them and the many obstacles they face in their everyday lives.

A number of social media platforms have also been created, to promote the rights of people with disabilities and emphasise the need for ongoing commitment. These include a web site [www.aday4all.net](http://www aday4all.net) [1], as well as A Day For All social media presence on Facebook and Twitter.

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