

The 2012 National Survey on Abuse of People with SurveyMonkey Disabilities

If you are not a family member or a person with a disability, what experiences have you had with abuse of, or crimes against, people with disabilities? (Check all that apply.)

		Response Percent	Response Count
Abuse against people with disabilities has been reported to me		51.3%	1,449
I have investigated abuse as part of my job		35.3%	997
I advocate for people with disabilities who have been abused or have had crimes committed against them		52.3%	1,478
I have prosecuted people that have committed crimes against people with disabilities.		3.0%	84
I provide some form of therapy or counseling to victims of abuse with disabilities		18.4%	521
I have no personal or professional experience with abuse		16.9%	478
		Other	280
		answered question	2,826
		skipped question	4,463

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1	I where several hats. I run a 501c3 and employ several individuals with disabilities. One woman who is a quadriplegic works on data from her home. She was raped by her caregiver's boyfriend.	Nov 15, 2012 9:09 AM
2	THRU APS WE RECEIVE ON A WEEKLY BASES MANY VULNERABLE ABUSE REPORTS	Nov 13, 2012 8:37 AM
3	I am a family member but also advocate for people with Autism and developmental disabilities as a part of my work life	Nov 8, 2012 1:33 AM
4	I consult with youth serving organizations on prevention of abuse	Nov 7, 2012 12:23 PM
5	Apply QM and RM concepts to what is learned from abuse incident and investigation findings - make recommendations for improvement.	Oct 18, 2012 12:30 PM
6	I have also provided nursing care for people that have been abused, sexually and physically.	Oct 12, 2012 1:57 PM
7	I once worked in a childcare facility with disabled children and I would sometimes see signs of physical abuse or neglect and report it to the teachers	Oct 10, 2012 7:06 AM
8	My agency brings them into the shelter	Oct 4, 2012 11:24 AM
9	I am a domestic violence/sexual assault advocate and have and do work with people with disabilities who have or are being abused.	Oct 4, 2012 10:47 AM
10	I provided T&TA on working with people with disabilities and administrated programs provided services to the aforementioned population.	Sep 17, 2012 3:32 AM
11	Many years ago, I did my Masters research on this topic.	Aug 27, 2012 8:16 AM
12	By law it is mandatory that I report any suspicions of abuse, neglect, etc. of child and/or adults with special needs.	Aug 25, 2012 8:15 PM
13	I have had to report possible abuses to children and photograph these abuses. We constantly monitored several children and reported to the authorities.	Aug 20, 2012 5:01 PM
14	I have been in an academic counseling role to provide services to those with disabilities	Aug 13, 2012 12:17 PM
15	When children with severe disabilities are placed in the Texas Foster care system, the children do not receive appropriate care, therapy, or medical care within an appropriate time frame. As for education, at the age of 16, DLB remains at the second half of first grade in his cognitive function and ability to learn.	Aug 13, 2012 9:03 AM
16	I have experience as an abused child.	Aug 8, 2012 2:20 PM
17	I work with disabled people, signing them up for recreational events.	Aug 8, 2012 9:53 AM
18	My only experience with people with disabilities is that of having friends with disabilities or parents of children with disabilities.	Aug 7, 2012 7:26 AM

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19	I've worked directly with many professionals discovering, intervening, advocating for a great number of persons with a disability who have been abused.	Aug 6, 2012 9:49 AM
20	I help and support my son when ever he needs help.	Aug 5, 2012 5:29 PM
21	I have prepared restraining orders for women who have been abused and clearly the path of these teachers that I have mentioned fit in the cycle of abuse: emotional abuse, denial and secrecy, blame, and this case should clearly be opened up for investigation because of the position and trust position that these instructors have that they have clearly taken advantage of to ensure their secrecy and denial and worse, they exploited a disabled person and blamed the person with a disability as if to justify that this person has no value and therefore it is okay to abuse and mistreat this person, which is indefensible.	Aug 3, 2012 12:38 PM
22	I manage a low seniors low income property and sometimes we can hear from others about abuses from family, perhaps caregivers, or even the same individual with disabilities abuses caregivers.	Aug 3, 2012 12:26 PM
23	I am responsible fo providing Abuse and Mandated Reporter Training and information to employees throughout my workplace.	Aug 3, 2012 12:21 PM
24	I worked for an organization that served people with disabilities.	Aug 3, 2012 5:45 AM
25	I have provided training to educators on the recognizing the signs of abuse in varied populations	Aug 2, 2012 7:35 AM
26	I'm now involved as a witness in a court case of a "friend" of a elderly person with developmental disabilities. The "friend" coerced the person into giving her hundreds of dollars and then wrote checks from the back of a person's checkbook. The "friend" is charged with two felonies involving a person at risk.	Aug 2, 2012 7:02 AM
27	Maria is abusive	Aug 1, 2012 7:13 PM
28	I see/hear people with disabilities being taken advantage by community members, family members as well as service providers.	Aug 1, 2012 4:06 PM
29	I help obtain needed services. I follow-up on legal concerns, charges, disciplinary procedures	Aug 1, 2012 10:37 AM
30	I am on the DDS Complaint Resolution Team, we review complaints of suspected neglect or abuse	Jul 31, 2012 12:05 PM
31	I have reported abuse	Jul 31, 2012 8:43 AM
32	I PUT IN A COMPLAINT TO A FACILITY WHERE MY FATHER WAS RESIDING. THE CARE THERE WAS APALLING! ALL THEY GOT WAS FINED.	Jul 31, 2012 8:23 AM
33	I work at an agency that serves and has served people who have been abused.	Jul 31, 2012 7:26 AM
34	I have helped set up accomodations and supports so that people with disabilities would be safer in the community.	Jul 31, 2012 7:02 AM

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35	the previous answers in this survey applied to my son and /or brother, but I used to work at a day center where I had to investigate abuse as a case coordinator. The problem is that if a family member lost their temper and grabbed somebody hard (left bruises) it had to be reported and the individual was removed from their home, but into an institution where they could (I heard stories and saw evidence) be sexually abused by both peers and staff. A no win situation. Also as a family member and previous staff, I have seen that a number of people go to work in this field because it is "easy" to sit around and neglect interaction rather than engage in the work because the clients can't report it. Very ugly.	Jul 31, 2012 6:55 AM
36	I have reported suspected abuse of a child with a disability and two adults with disabilities.	Jul 31, 2012 6:26 AM
37	Helped to create a national workforce development curriculum for those who provide supports for individuals with various challenges who live in community based settings	Jul 31, 2012 5:55 AM
38	I have reported suspected abuse	Jul 30, 2012 3:42 PM
39	I have worked with people who alleged abuse (sexual) and then the police charged them with false reporting because of communication difficulties with the person who had a disability	Jul 30, 2012 2:40 PM
40	A and a former researcher, and a present lobbyist for people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities.	Jul 30, 2012 2:23 PM
41	As a mandated reporter, we have reported suspected abuse to the proper authorities	Jul 30, 2012 12:19 PM
42	Encourages people to report and stick up for themselves	Jul 30, 2012 10:58 AM
43	I work with people with developmental disabilities. On many occasions I have reported staff people treating their clients less than satisfactory. I have called case managers, agencies and APS in order to get the client the help they need without the stress of having to deal with the situation alone.	Jul 30, 2012 9:25 AM
44	I also work in the industry	Jul 30, 2012 9:06 AM
45	My sister was taken advantage of in the workplace because she is developmentally disabled.	Jul 30, 2012 8:26 AM
46	I work as a public guardian and many people who are referred for guardianship have been victims of abuse and neglect.	Jul 30, 2012 5:11 AM
47	I am an advocate and was Medical Director of the CA State Dept of Dev. Services and then the CA Dept of Rehab for 2 decades.	Jul 27, 2012 1:33 PM
48	My 31 year old niece (IQ 60-mildly impaired) has basically been "imprisoned" by the state of North Carolina. My niece is very capable of understanding and making many decisions about her own life and has definite dreams and goals for her own life, yet is being denied her freedom. She is not allowed to vote, they have taken her cell phone from her permanently, she is not allowed to contact friends or family, she is not allowed privacy, she is taunted, coerced and	Jul 27, 2012 6:55 AM

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threatened by both her caregiver family as well as her state appointed guardian. She is denied medical treatment for her severely hurting ear until several days after her eardrum burst. She is denied access to her monthly funds, denied female hygiene items, subjected to daily abuse in a daycare situation of a sexual harassing nature; i.e., adult male client has threatened gang rape -- all without intervention or protection by her court-appointed guardian who is well aware of these happenings. Currently, I as her aunt do not know where she is and have been forbidden by her guardian of any contact through phone, mail, or person with my niece. This was because I challenged the guardian to restore my niece's rights to her as guaranteed her by the North Carolina General Statutes as well as the Americans with Disability Act and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Mentally Retarded Persons. Rather than SUPPORTING her rights to make decisions in her own life "allowing for the possibility of error to the same degree as is allowed to persons who are not incompetent," the Guardian has instead SUBSTITUTED her own decision-making in my nieces life; thereby denying my niece her American right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The unjustified isolation they are currently subjecting my niece to by forcing her to cut all ties with her former life is a form of discrimination based on disability. There have been no DSS investigations that would find my niece's maternal family unfit in any way. This punishment has been handed out because we simply questioned why the Guardian would not allow my niece to make decisions in her own life. Now, we are cut off from her. We do not know where she is. We have her tape recordings when she left us messages when the Guardian threatened to my niece that she was going to do this... my niece called her mother's answering machine and left message sobbing that she was scared and to please help!!! Now, we don't know where she is, if she is safe, if they are over medicating her. The isolation time period has gone on over two months and according to a note from her Guardian is "indefinite." I cannot believe this is America, the land of the Free.

49	I have facilitated educational opportunities for clinicians regarding children with special health care needs as it relates to abuse and neglect	Jul 26, 2012 10:36 AM
50	I have reported suspected abuse	Jul 25, 2012 4:01 PM
51	Sexual abuse	Jul 25, 2012 5:56 AM
52	i know do training in the state of MO for people with disability no A & N and how to stay safe and how to tell we have turn in over 100 case to the state.and train other people to be mandaded reporters.	Jul 25, 2012 5:30 AM
53	By hosting training.	Jul 24, 2012 8:56 AM
54	I stand up against abuse when I see it.	Jul 23, 2012 6:33 AM
55	My father is a state investigator for the Department of Mental Health and the Department of Mental Retardation	Jul 23, 2012 4:54 AM
56	Although I have worked with children and adults with disabilities for the past 8 years both as a summer camp counselor and as a SLP at a center based school I have never experienced a situation of abuse.	Jul 23, 2012 3:20 AM

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57	A friend of mine with a disability was abused.	Jul 22, 2012 9:06 PM
58	There have been incidents when student's have reported abuse and a referral to Child Protective Services has been made.	Jul 22, 2012 10:56 AM
59	As a volunteer member associated with Autism Ontario, parents do come and share their stories with me, about how their child is being treated in the school system, by principals, teachers and students.	Jul 22, 2012 10:49 AM
60	I have reported suspected abuse.	Jul 22, 2012 10:08 AM
61	Individuals with disabilities and their families have reported incidents of abuse that happened in the past and which affect the individuals psychologically still. They still have difficulties with post traumatic stress. Most of these individuals were unable to speak or to use augmentative communication at the time of the abuse.	Jul 22, 2012 9:35 AM
62	I have seen it happen but was treated with retaliation if I dared to report. I eventually left the place.	Jul 22, 2012 9:08 AM
63	on an organizational and political level... not direct advocacy such as a social worker or lawyer.	Jul 20, 2012 7:29 AM
64	I teach employees about recognizing and reporting abuse also	Jul 17, 2012 11:22 AM
65	As a nurse, working with individuals who may have been abused in the past.	Jul 16, 2012 9:27 AM
66	I have assisted persons with disabilities relocate to safer housing arrangements within the community as a result of reported abuse or neglect.	Jul 13, 2012 4:39 AM
67	EMS calls with clear signs of abuse/neglect	Jul 13, 2012 4:35 AM
68	n/a	Jul 10, 2012 10:18 AM
69	In the past, I have worked with projects to prevent abuse.	Jul 8, 2012 7:34 AM
70	i am both at once, i live with mental health diagnosis of depression, had a brother with complex disabilities and work with self-advocates and community building for inclusion... including support to sexual assault survivors. Not therapy perse but facilitate murual support group discussions and have organized a self-defense course for women.	Jul 5, 2012 10:31 AM
71	Health professional	Jul 2, 2012 8:52 PM
72	I have been accused of alleged abuse.	Jul 2, 2012 7:35 AM
73	This doesn't pertain to my disability but I have had some share their experiences with me and made reports as a part of my job.	Jun 29, 2012 9:16 PM
74	I have worked for people who have been taken advantage of.	Jun 27, 2012 11:55 AM
75	In the past I provided counseling to people with disabilities who had been abused	Jun 25, 2012 8:48 PM

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76	I teach abuse prevention, recognition, response and reporting skills to people with dd/id and their caregivers.	Jun 24, 2012 9:17 AM
77	ABUSE kills people	Jun 22, 2012 8:49 PM
78	Supervise public health prevention programs related to child abuse and neglect and sexual violence. Policy level issues addressing children and people with special needs, vulnerable population, public awareness of protective factors to PREVENT abuse.	Jun 22, 2012 6:42 PM
79	I am a Violence Prevention Educator for a Domestic Violence & Crisis Center. I work with people of all ages and all ability. Another part of my job is going to schools and discuss what abuse is, how to stay safe, and non-violence. I present safety topics to students with special needs.	Jun 21, 2012 2:43 PM
80	Working at the schools I reported and tried to offer counseling on disability awareness and sensitivity.	Jun 20, 2012 8:08 PM
81	I'm the person with the disabilities, so this question doesn't apply to me.	Jun 20, 2012 9:53 AM
82	As an administrative assistant I have encountered people who have been abused in many different ways	Jun 19, 2012 12:11 PM
83	I am aware from reading	Jun 18, 2012 12:34 PM
84	I refer to appropriate support services if abuse is reported to me	Jun 15, 2012 4:19 PM
85	I work in a battered women's shelter, and the domestic violence field and the disabilities field often intersect.	Jun 15, 2012 8:34 AM
86	Am liaison between criminal justice system and DD system for crime victims. Help victim and those in the CJ system understand each other. Track and advocate for cases and assist families, and caregivers in understanding the system. Attend sexual assault exams and videotaped police interviews. Sexual assault by far the crime I see the most frequently.	Jun 15, 2012 8:15 AM
87	My experience investigating was when I worked in the CPS Field - not current employment	Jun 14, 2012 12:41 PM
88	I have reported abuse as a mandated reporter.	Jun 14, 2012 12:28 PM
89	LSW who works with an agency that provides volunteers to work with abused and neglected children, some of whom have disabilities.	Jun 14, 2012 11:54 AM
90	I'm an mandated reporter of abuse.	Jun 14, 2012 9:54 AM
91	I serve on a board for a children's advocacy center	Jun 14, 2012 9:54 AM
92	I work closely with prosecutors and other allied professionals who all of the above apply to	Jun 14, 2012 7:53 AM
93	I have personal experience of being abused but it was not due to any disability. It happened in my youth and person never prosecuted, never told anyone and the	Jun 13, 2012 9:32 AM

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	person eventually died of heart attack with never being prosecuted, but I dealt with it through reading self-help books and 7 years of counseling	
94	I work with students who have experienced insensitive remarks, harrassment, and discrimination related to their disability/disabilities. I also talk with students and provide resources when they are encountering/have encountered domestic violence (albeit not a direct result of their disability)	Jun 12, 2012 8:53 AM
95	As an advocate for people living with brain injury and mental health issues I have seen just about everything. We are filling up our prisons with people who do not function well in society; needed proper medical and psychological treatment. This issue starts from birth and moves on through the "age progression" as the individual struggles to compensate and adjust... many, far too many do not. They drop out of school, become bullies themselves, resort to drugs, crime, homelessness, etc. Our system does not have the capacity to recognize, diagnose, and treat these individuals in the early onset; whether they are 4 years of age or 20 or 50. They languish and become marginalized. An example is that your survey does not even recognize brain injury; which quite often is not a developmental disability (technically it is) nor is it exclusively a mental health issue, though if left untreated or miss-diagnosed, more likely than not the individual becomes diagnosed as being mentally ill. According the the CDC and the World Health Organization, Brain Injury is the largest cause of both death and disability in the U.S. and a vast number of developing nations.	Jun 11, 2012 6:45 PM
96	my friends mother had a considerable amount of money and dementia lets just say one family member used her dementia for his own personal gain. cutting out the rest of the family.	Jun 11, 2012 1:08 PM
97	Support for survivors of sexual and domestic violence who identify as people with disabilities.	Jun 11, 2012 11:34 AM
98	I was a teacher in the DD Preschool for 8 years and advocated for the needs of my students. As a parent, I advocate for my daughter. She has been lost many times due to neglect at the middle school and high school level. She is 16 years of age. I had a paid parent advocate who attended her last IEP in April. I believe all children in the middle school and high school level with disabilities in our area are neglected and/or not provided with the services they need at school. It is very sad.	Jun 11, 2012 8:42 AM
99	I attend meetings within our organization and have had heard of reports of our individuals being abused.	Jun 11, 2012 7:56 AM
100	reporting to authorities	Jun 10, 2012 1:46 PM
101	I have a sister with a disability, although I do not consider her part of my "immediate family" of recent times.	Jun 10, 2012 7:13 AM
102	I have limited personal or professional experience in this area.	Jun 9, 2012 9:54 AM
103	Abuse is not always what you think in typical situations: example a child with disabilities place in main strem classroom and Schools are not prepared, Teacher's are clueless staff is overwhelmed,children are complex and follow	Jun 8, 2012 6:09 AM

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	staff lead of treatment. Where does that leave said child.	
104	I have reported abuse against a person with disabilities.	Jun 8, 2012 4:49 AM
105	I reported a case of abuse against a child with a disability to Child Protective Services	Jun 7, 2012 3:07 PM
106	I'm a gimp. I hear horror stories all the time. Horror story is my life. But I may be able to start this company, precisely because I want to stop this appalling, next new invisible American discrimination.	Jun 7, 2012 12:17 PM
107	Worked to provide training to law enforcement about people with disabilities.	Jun 7, 2012 10:10 AM
108	I have worked closely with CPS	Jun 7, 2012 7:42 AM
109	I have educated students who have been abused.	Jun 7, 2012 7:29 AM
110	My experience with abuse of a child with a disability was in the Virgin Islands and I was an administrator at the time. I have had no professional experience with abuse in the last 9 years in Virginia.	Jun 7, 2012 4:06 AM
111	I am aware of abuse of person's with disabilities	Jun 7, 2012 3:40 AM
112	I have students under and over the age of 18 who have reported abuse to me of various types.	Jun 6, 2012 6:07 PM
113	I have directly observed teachers not provide access to IEP accommodations. I have directly observed teachers make disparaging comments about students with disabilities and the family of students with disabilities. I have directly observed undue hardship being placed on students with disabilities.	Jun 6, 2012 5:09 PM
114	I work with crime victims	Jun 6, 2012 9:11 AM
115	Police social worker-work with victim during police investigation, court prosecution, referral for benefits, counseling	Jun 6, 2012 7:27 AM
116	I have worked in a high school setting where one of my students had accused someone of sexually abusing her.	Jun 6, 2012 5:39 AM
117	have done research	Jun 5, 2012 7:56 PM
118	Even though I have a son with a disability my work as an advocate over the past 28 years frequently requires me or my staff to investigate abuse of residents of nursing and assisted living homes.	Jun 5, 2012 10:09 AM
119	Although I have a disability, I work as a victim advocate, working with persons (mainly women) with disabilities who are victims of domestic violence, caregiver abuse, stalking and sometimes other crimes.	Jun 5, 2012 9:40 AM
120	I assisted a person who felt that their parent was been neglected at the assisted living center where they live.	Jun 5, 2012 8:39 AM
121	Provide other public service to crime victims, some of whom have disabilities	Jun 5, 2012 7:35 AM

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122	Members of my family - not my immediate family-- have physical disabilities related to MS. My father has dementia, and as it worsens, is developing a cognitive disability.	Jun 5, 2012 7:08 AM
123	I have worked in group homes and done a lot of community training with adults with disabilities and have seen it first hand.	Jun 4, 2012 5:20 PM
124	Law enforcement advocacy	Jun 4, 2012 9:38 AM
125	I was a teacher for the deaf and blind and often saw evidence of abject abuse from family members inflicted on my residential students after they returned to school from a home visit.	Jun 4, 2012 9:22 AM
126	conducted forensic medical examinations on crime victims	Jun 4, 2012 9:02 AM
127	I have testified against people who abused someone with a disability	Jun 4, 2012 7:12 AM
128	I'm a RN/SANE Nurse & work w/sexual assault & domestic violence	Jun 3, 2012 8:10 PM
129	I am a SANE and frequently testify as an expert witness for physical and sexual abuse cases in criminal court.	Jun 2, 2012 2:11 PM
130	I have provided service to women and children in the domestic violence and child abuse areas.	Jun 2, 2012 6:47 AM
131	I have participated in crime scene investigations as far as the collection of evidence, photography of crime scenes or the victim, etc.	Jun 1, 2012 7:46 PM
132	As a teacher I have reported abuse to child protection agencies	Jun 1, 2012 2:11 PM
133	I work in a school system and have heard of abuse cases on students but all issues have been reported to the school social worker or proper authorities.	Jun 1, 2012 11:01 AM
134	I have observed abuse caused by school staff.	Jun 1, 2012 10:59 AM
135	I worked with foster children with disabilities so have gotten reports about other kids, birth parents, etc. abusing children. I have also had children with disabilities placed in one of the specialized foster homes due to abuse and neglect. We would then work with them.	Jun 1, 2012 10:47 AM
136	I have worked with individuals who have been abused in the past.	Jun 1, 2012 8:52 AM
137	I am a Department Chairperson for a large variety of individuals with designated disabilities.	Jun 1, 2012 8:45 AM
138	I work in a shelter and we have clients who have various disabilities.	Jun 1, 2012 7:35 AM
139	i work on behalf of survivors of domestic violence, some of whom have disabilities	May 31, 2012 3:27 PM
140	I have reported abuse against individuals with a disability	May 31, 2012 11:55 AM
141	I work with teens in regards to abuse, it seems that teens with disabilities get that	May 31, 2012 7:34 AM

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	'normal' partner, and that partner uses the disability against them to make them do what they want.	
142	I help with Victim Impact Statements, Victim Compensation, appearance in court	May 31, 2012 6:41 AM
143	I answer incoming calls from crime victims and many of them disclose a form of disability while speaking to me over the phone.	May 31, 2012 6:01 AM
144	My clients are typically immigrant victims of crime. Only 1 or 2 are disabled.	May 31, 2012 5:11 AM
145	my experience is with victims of a violent crime which left them disabled in some way.	May 31, 2012 4:18 AM
146	I am a victim services advocate in law enforcement, I have assisted those with disabilities to find services to help them engage the criminal justice system in a positive way.	May 31, 2012 3:35 AM
147	Co-workers have shared their experiences with reporting abuse against people with disabilities	May 30, 2012 11:30 PM
148	I include abuse issues when writing or teaching about disability.	May 30, 2012 2:24 PM
149	i have worked with blind Deaf hard of Hearing and Developmental disabilities	May 30, 2012 2:19 PM
150	Involved with interdisciplinary training and collaboration work on the issue of abuse, neglect and exploitation of older adults.	May 30, 2012 1:46 PM
151	I examine patients who are victims of sexual assault. Some of them have been disabled.	May 30, 2012 1:28 PM
152	I supervise students in representing victims of abuse. A few of my students have a disability.	May 30, 2012 12:25 PM
153	I am an advocate working with women who have been victims of domestic and/or sexual violence.	May 30, 2012 12:21 PM
154	In the role of healthcare provider	May 29, 2012 6:23 AM
155	I care for individuals some have been unfortant to been abused and you can tell when someone is or has been abused by the manner they act around people new and ones they know.	May 29, 2012 5:45 AM
156	My family member relayed her bullying experiences to me	May 28, 2012 6:52 PM
157	I run my own assistance dog organization because people with dogs that aren't organization accredited get more access challenges by businesses and individuals who don't understand.	May 28, 2012 10:01 AM
158	I work with special needs children and teenager as a teacher.	May 27, 2012 6:01 AM
159	I was a severely abused child .. sexually, at the hands of multiple pedophiles (all men), as a child model for 1000s of pornographic pictures, and was the victim of a two week kidnapping, none of which were revealed until years later when I was	May 25, 2012 2:59 PM

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	an adult	
160	I am a person with a disability who works in hte protection & advocacy system.	May 25, 2012 12:25 PM
161	Work in an agency where abuse is investigated and where individuals have had abuse in their lives in the past. I personally have not had to report, treat, or counsel people directly. But I do deal with those individuals on a daily basis who have experienced it and are coping with it.	May 25, 2012 8:00 AM
162	I have reported incidents that were then investigated by other professionals.	May 25, 2012 4:22 AM
163	I work directly with individuals who have been abused in the past.	May 24, 2012 9:23 AM
164	AS A LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER -CHILD WELFARE CPS AND FOSTER CARE , CHILDREN;S HOSPITAL MED CENTER MED SOCIAL WORKER IN ER CHILD ABUSE INTAKE TEAMS AND INPATIENT SERVICES = ASSESSMENT REPORTING, CRISIS INTERVENTION TREATMENT TREATMENT, AND THERAPY AS A PLACEMENT WORKER FOR CHILDREN WHO WERE PLACED IN FOSTER CARE AS A RESULT OF ABUSE (PHYSICAL, SEXUAL AND NEGLECT), AND MORE RECENTLY AS A RESPITE CARE PROVIDER FOR ABUSED INFANTS AND AS A VOLUNTEER.	May 23, 2012 10:58 PM
165	I was a para professional for 13 years in a CA elementary school K-6 and transition Program with students 18-22, and was a Residential Manager for 7 years for people with disabilities.	May 23, 2012 11:49 AM
166	. Il work for SACIS (Sexual Assault and Counseling Information Services) in Illinois. I am the Director of Education and the educator in the Illinois ImaginesProject. The purpose of this project is to train-the -trainer-a female with disability to provide sexual abuse prevention education to all women that have a disability.	May 23, 2012 11:32 AM
167	Work with perpetrators who have developmental disabilities	May 23, 2012 6:07 AM
168	As a staff person of my organization which services people with disabilities, I have been informed of incidents that have happened to people with disabilities.	May 22, 2012 7:29 PM
169	I have heard of persons with disabilities rights being abridged. Especially in regards to payees who do not appropriate moneys as intended for the benefit of the individuals. I have worked at institutions where persons have been reported to have been abused. I have never witnessed abuse directly.	May 22, 2012 11:11 AM
170	Sometimes privacy rules get in the way, but I have reported to APS fiduciary abuse of a neighbor. The legal system is protecting the perpetrator	May 22, 2012 9:38 AM
171	Interpreted in settings where abuse was the issue	May 22, 2012 8:05 AM
172	I just referred those to right agency (Victim Agency) and support our peer to attend counseling, therapy, etc.	May 22, 2012 7:59 AM
173	I work with people 60 and over who have been abused, neglected and/or exploited. Some of these people have disabilities.	May 22, 2012 7:18 AM

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174	research conducted on disabilities and abuse, as well as teaching, training, consulting	May 22, 2012 7:04 AM
175	I know about it in children that attend the school I work at.	May 22, 2012 7:02 AM
176	Clerical support staff in a Council of Government in Ohio.	May 22, 2012 5:40 AM
177	Clerical support staff in a COG	May 22, 2012 5:32 AM
178	Deceased family member w/ dementia who was abused.	May 21, 2012 6:30 PM
179	I provide advocacy based counseling to victims of child abuse and domestic violence. This service is open to all, not restricted to people with disabilities.	May 21, 2012 10:09 AM
180	I have worked in a community based organization that provides services for the Deaf, which has a support group for victims of abuse. I worked adjacent to this program rather than directly so I have knowledge of the wide variety of issues surrounding abuse and have received training on recognizing signs of abuse as well as services for victims.	May 21, 2012 7:58 AM
181	I am a school psychology graduate student, and as such, have training in counseling and working with students with disabilities. My classmates and I have encountered incidents of abuse against students in special education.	May 21, 2012 7:39 AM
182	Been an expert witness in civil and criminal litigation against perpetrators of abuse	May 21, 2012 7:27 AM
183	The legal system produces PTSD etc with false allegations and denies the accused any chance of defending themselves in most cases especially involving immigration marriage fraud.	May 21, 2012 4:31 AM
184	I was abused and taken advantage of in my state of PTSD.	May 19, 2012 7:08 PM
185	I care	May 19, 2012 6:50 AM
186	I'm just a concerned person, father and against all kinds of abuse.	May 19, 2012 5:51 AM
187	I was asked to volunteer against my better judgement	May 18, 2012 12:11 PM
188	I have been involved in developing training for law enforcement regarding mental and physical health issues and victimization of people with disabilities.	May 18, 2012 9:40 AM
189	I am mandated reporter, have reported to adult protective services twice	May 18, 2012 6:10 AM
190	The organization I work for provides services to abused children, including children and adults with disabilities.	May 18, 2012 2:57 AM
191	I have no experience with abuse, but unfortunately have seen first hand stares and talking down to individuals with various types of disability.	May 17, 2012 5:41 PM
192	My uncle (so, not an *immediate* family member) has a developmental disability and has been taken advantage of by many people, often times strangers.	May 17, 2012 2:36 PM

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193	I have a family member (a cousin) who has an intellectual disability. She's not "immediate" so I could not check that box on the previous page.	May 17, 2012 12:38 PM
194	Hospital social work	May 17, 2012 11:14 AM
195	I advocate for people who have been abused, not just specifically disabled people, & I volunteered for agencies that help disadvantaged people that were frequently abused.	May 16, 2012 9:39 PM
196	I am the chosen family member of someone with a disability who has been abused and know several others (personally and professionally) who have also experienced abuse	May 16, 2012 8:16 PM
197	I have provided medical care to children with disabilities who have been abused	May 16, 2012 5:43 PM
198	I have professional experience with abuse but have not experienced a victim who has a disability and has been abused.	May 16, 2012 1:08 PM
199	I am a retired law enforcement officer/detective who investigated elder/vulnerable adult abuse cases for several years. I am currently a civilian advocate for elder/vulnerable adults in a law enforcement setting.	May 16, 2012 11:50 AM
200	gave MH information about the disability to the system	May 16, 2012 8:13 AM
201	Prior ER/clinic nurse so I have helped care for and/or referred clients with a disability	May 16, 2012 8:07 AM
202	I supervise a disabled man. I have seen what he goes through; everything from physical barriers to access to emotional abuse from co-workers. It is wrong!	May 16, 2012 7:02 AM
203	People with FASD are frequently abused in the justice system.	May 16, 2012 5:49 AM
204	I have developed and presented training on abuse against WwD to women and healthcare providers. Educated other government programs/agencies about abuse against PwD.	May 15, 2012 12:01 PM
205	As a communications associate at the agency I work for, I am partly responsible for addressing issues of abuse and neglect as it pertains to the media. If a story of abuse and neglect comes out, I must draft a response from our agency. Thankfully in the 6 years I have worked for this agency this has never happened!	May 15, 2012 11:14 AM
206	In the past, I worked in psychiatric emergency services and other community settings where I have seen and reported abuse. I currently am on community provider committees where abuse issues are raised.	May 15, 2012 9:38 AM
207	I have a disability and I work for people with disabilities and I used to teach people with disabilities. I raised two kids who are bright and wonderful DESPITE being told I couldn't parent. Two kids in college.	May 14, 2012 3:46 PM
208	I work in an agency that provides emergency and transitional housing to women who are homeless and low income. I high percentage of these women have disabilities and have been abused. I provide case management, support and referrals.	May 14, 2012 12:30 PM

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209	All within my role as a school social worker	May 14, 2012 10:47 AM
210	provided professional education to criminal justice, protective services, mental health, medicine and consumers on indicators, incidence and interventions for crime victims with disabilities	May 14, 2012 8:22 AM
211	I have not investigated nor have anyone report any kind of abuse to me, but as a supervisor I would be advocating for the individuals in my program.	May 14, 2012 3:54 AM
212	I have reported abuse against people with disabilities	May 13, 2012 1:56 PM
213	I occasionally provide educational services and advocacy to children with disabilities	May 11, 2012 4:00 PM
214	I have provided direct patient care and assessed directly for signs of abuse, and provided care for patients with injury due to abuse.	May 11, 2012 10:41 AM
215	I have evaluated children with disabilities when there have been concerns about the possibility that they have been maltreated	May 11, 2012 7:38 AM
216	I have worked with special needs children for a little more than 10 years. My co-workers and I have been aware of children who have been subject to abuse. Whenever we have suspected something, we always go to the lead teacher. If he/she didn't do anything about, we would always contact someone, i.e., a case manager, director of group home, principal, etc. My daughter has worked in a group home and when she suspected other aides of abusing the residents, she reported it and subsequently was fired. The aide she suspected of abusing the residents was not fired.	May 10, 2012 11:32 AM
217	I was disabled in the past	May 10, 2012 7:47 AM
218	I do research on the subject area	May 9, 2012 1:43 PM
219	I work with women and their staff to education them about abuse and violence, how to avoid it and how to respond to it effectively.	May 9, 2012 8:17 AM
220	I am a certified investigator that is responsible for fact finding in abuse situations	May 9, 2012 6:51 AM
221	Work with the National Autism Association	May 9, 2012 6:36 AM
222	provide training on abuse	May 9, 2012 5:35 AM
223	I have managed adult protective services	May 9, 2012 5:25 AM
224	I used to work for an NGO who provide animal assisted therapy to victims of abuse with disabilities.	May 9, 2012 1:34 AM
225	My mother was in a skilled nursing facility for a year, unable to speak or move. I was her advocate, onsite 5-7 days a week. Had I not wached over and spoken for her, she would ahve suffered major abuse and her death would have been deliberately hastened.	May 8, 2012 6:20 PM
226	People have discussed different types of abuse including verbal	May 8, 2012 12:28 PM

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227	I deal mostly with Elder Abuse situations...most of which arise after a person has accumulated "disabilities" through the aging process.	May 8, 2012 11:16 AM
228	I reported my previous employer to a government agency for not responding to reports of abuse.	May 8, 2012 11:15 AM
229	I've seen it growing up in school. people with disabilities were always made fun of and picked on	May 8, 2012 9:55 AM
230	I report abuse.	May 8, 2012 9:40 AM
231	I only do nursing home investigations where it is staff on resident or resident on resident. Abuse, neglect, exploitation.	May 8, 2012 7:04 AM
232	I work for a battered womens shelter	May 8, 2012 6:51 AM
233	I had sometime worked with person who were vulnerable to be abused physically, emotionally and financially by strangers and by family members; with families dealing with stress related to responsibilities of care giving.	May 7, 2012 10:09 PM
234	as a paraprofessional have had a training but not needed to file.	May 7, 2012 3:28 PM
235	I supervised and worked in a group home for abused/neglected children, working for Union County DSS, Monroe, North Carolina. I was House Manager for Womens Haven, a shelter for battered women in Forth Worth Texas, Tarrant County. I helped open and managed the shelter for battered women in Lumberton, North Carolina, Southeastern Family Violence Center.	May 7, 2012 8:54 AM
236	I am enhancing the service delivery system at my organization to better respond to individuals with disabilities	May 7, 2012 7:05 AM
237	i saw it with my own eyes.	May 6, 2012 11:42 PM
238	I myself have been abused at a young age.	May 6, 2012 8:44 PM
239	foremer employee	May 6, 2012 4:51 PM
240	I volunteer for he Disability and Abuse Project of SPECTRUM Institute, providing a weekly newsfeed with contains articles regarding articles on people with disability (usually articles about this population being abused), as well as other related stories about people with disabilities (international stories are included).	May 6, 2012 1:23 PM
241	"Reported to me" through media and word of mouth. Not in an official capacity.	May 6, 2012 11:50 AM
242	I have reported abuse with me job as a respid care giver.	May 6, 2012 4:02 AM
243	As a person with a disability and with family members with disabilities, I have still had these experiences.	May 5, 2012 6:21 PM
244	Doesn't apply to me.	May 5, 2012 6:01 PM
245	I examine people in the ED after a sexual assault	May 5, 2012 10:06 AM

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246	I see a high number of victims of sexual assault who have disabilities and are very vulnerable.	May 5, 2012 9:39 AM
247	I have been interviewed as a witness or consulting specialist	May 4, 2012 10:57 AM
248	I write about, and edit a publication about abuse of the elderly and disabled.	May 4, 2012 10:37 AM
249	I facilitate a collaborative project involving disability-related and victims service providers	May 4, 2012 6:11 AM
250	I do public policy work on a variety of disability issues, including abuse.	May 4, 2012 5:23 AM
251	I have heard about abuse cases through my work	May 4, 2012 4:04 AM
252	I am a college teacher and my students do field placement with people with intellectual disabilities. I have had them report abuse to me and have then reported it to the agency where they are on placement.	May 4, 2012 2:55 AM
253	I am a physician working with children with disabilities and a mandated reporter	May 3, 2012 2:24 PM
254	I work at a domestic violence/sexual assault center but do not have experience with people with disabilities.	May 3, 2012 12:17 PM
255	I have also been involved in research on this topic.	May 3, 2012 9:57 AM
256	Medical forensic evaluation team member.	May 3, 2012 8:32 AM
257	I HAVE WITNESSED THE RESULTS OF ABUSE TO INFANTS AND CHILDREN AS A MEDICAL CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER AS MEMBER OF A CHILD ABUSE INTAKE TEAM AND ON INPATIENT SERVICES AT A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOR MANY YEARS. ALSO AS A CPS AND FOSTER CARE CHILD WELFARE WORKERS, AND AS A CHILDREN'S SHELTERS VOLUNTEER, AND AS A RESPITE CARE PROVIDER AND VOLUNTEER I HAVE CARE FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE HAD SERIOUS INJURIES AS A RESULT OF CHILD ABUSE (PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL) AND NEGLECT.	May 3, 2012 7:59 AM
258	I wanted to reply to this question due to my professional role.	May 3, 2012 7:42 AM
259	I am an advocate with a domestic and sexual violence agency that is in collaboration with a disabilities organization.	May 3, 2012 7:28 AM
260	I have provided services for people with disabilities that have been victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation.	May 3, 2012 7:14 AM
261	I PROVIDE VICTIM WITNESS SERVICES AS AN ADVOCATE.	May 3, 2012 6:39 AM
262	I am a town Justice and see all of the disabilities from time to time.	May 3, 2012 6:26 AM
263	I have worked as a forensic social worker and as a public guardian and, as such, have been a strong advocate on behalf of persons with disabilities.	May 3, 2012 6:04 AM
264	As a Supported Employment Advocate, I encounter the effects of abuse when people try to advance themselves or try new things or expect more from life.	May 3, 2012 5:52 AM

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265	I have written policies for my agency that all abuse of a criminal nature is reported, first to the police, then to the agency. We do not investigate until the police have done their job. People have been arrested and charged for abuse as a result of this policy.	May 3, 2012 1:57 AM
266	I am a Sexual Assault Crisis Advocate who seeks to better understand the issues related to this population of individuals	May 2, 2012 3:06 PM
267	As a developmental specialist, I have made call to CPS to initiate investigations with regard to children in our program.	May 2, 2012 12:38 PM
268	Our agency has worked with people with disabilities who have been victims of sexual or domestic violence.	May 2, 2012 11:42 AM
269	15+ year of training and education, primarily peer self advocate training	May 1, 2012 3:48 PM
270	I work in a center that provides crisis services to people who have been sexually assaulted. The people with disabilities we have provided services to come from group homes, adult family homes, nursing homes, a county mental health center, and from the homeless shelters.	May 1, 2012 1:18 PM
271	That US Postal Inspection Service have no program for Deaf's victim or Deaf employment victim.	May 1, 2012 12:38 PM
272	I am a family memeber	May 1, 2012 4:27 AM
273	Provide mandatory abuse training for individuals working with people with DD and/or MH.	Apr 30, 2012 3:22 PM
274	Work in an office that investigates abuse	Apr 30, 2012 12:48 PM
275	kinda wrongish qiuestion...the experience you speak of is universal...everyday every moment....question is : what is my participation in these crimes?	Apr 30, 2012 12:34 PM
276	I do parent/profesional dev on this topic	Apr 30, 2012 9:57 AM
277	Educating adults with developmental disabilities about abuse, neglect & exploitation and reporting; educating family members of adults with developmental disabilities and agency staff about abuse, neglect & exploitation and reporting; reporting abuse reported by clients and/or providing assistance for individuals to submit report.	Apr 30, 2012 7:31 AM
278	I'm a caregiver and have seen no abuse; but I imagine it exists.	Apr 29, 2012 9:44 PM
279	I cannot prove my son was abused at school, but I often wonder what would have happened if I wired him and sent him in. As soon as his safety was in question, I removed him from school. He could not talk for himself to tell me but his negative behaviors were a sign since they were not happening at home.	Apr 29, 2012 4:19 PM
280	I am a double credentialed teacher currently working as a Special Ed aide at a high school in CA and have witnessed 2 1/2 years of abuse by the teacher and another aide in this classroom. I reported it many times to administration, finally taking the last step early this school year of filing a grievance. The school is now	Apr 29, 2012 11:50 AM

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